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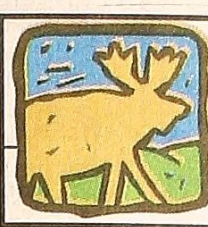
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Fresh after returning from a visit to meet President Clinton, Romulus High School history teacher Dennis Stoh presents a capsule view of his trip to his class last week. Sharing the podium with him are two students, Stephanie Canada and Steve Abdo. MCN Special Photo

Teacher informs students of his Clinton meeting

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Romulus High School history teacher Dennis Stoh and his wife, Elizabeth, were honored last week by the local school board, following their trip to Washington, D.C. where they met President Clinton and English Prime Minister Tony Blair.

Stoh obtained the invitation to meet the first family after E-mailing a request to the White House recently.

After receiving the personal invitation to the White House, Stoh and his wife, who is a Northwest Airlines employee, arrived in Washington on Feb. 5.

A general tour of the White House was cancelled that day due to Blair's visit, and the 120 visitor count was further trimmed down to only eight persons because the session was moved inside due to the weather.

Luckily the Stohs were included in the small party and were escorted into the China Room of the White House by Social Department Aide Debbie McGinn. They were asked to sign the guest book, check their umbrella and hats and urged not to ask Clinton or Blair for their autographs.

Stoh was impressed that as

they entered the China Room they saw their names taped on the floor where they were to stand. The local teacher noticed his wife's name to his left and Vice President Al Gore's name to his right.

They stood on their designated spots for photo takings, heard the national anthems for both nations and welcoming speeches by Clinton and Blair.

Protocol had the Stohs as the last persons to leave the room.

Stoh said Clinton told him he "highly respected teachers and it was an honor for me to have you here."

After talking about the ceremony and the weather, Clinton introduced Stoh and his wife to Blair. Stoh told Blair that his wife's grandfather once lived in London.

The Stohs were also introduced to the First Lady Hillary Clinton, who Stoh said appeared to have a "powerful personality."

The First Lady asked Stoh to extend a special hello for her with his high school students.

The Stohs then joined the others for a reception following the ceremony. Both will return to Washington later this year for a black tie reception.

Katz seeks to rid Metro Airport of 'worst' image

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Stung by reported public surveys that claim that Detroit Metro Airport in Romulus is outdated and not consumer friendly, new Airport Director David Katz plans a pro-active effort to rid the airport of its "worst" image.

Katz, speaking from his car phone early Tuesday afternoon, said he does not plan to throw stones at the reported survey that claims airline passengers blast the small restroom facilities at Metro and other non-friendly elements of the swiftly growing transportation hub.

Meanwhile Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara released information that several security enhancements have now been agreed upon by the airport's top airline, Northwest.

What adds to the airport's image problems is that the most recent press reports state that many constant air travelers rate Metro as one of the worst in the nation.

Adding to that are the well publicized recent instances when single errant passengers have voided security procedures, causing hours upon hours of flight delays for thousands of commuters.

Three major security upgrades have been reported by McNamara, including:

- up to \$500,000 worth of electronic, mechanical and physical improvements to the airport's security system...including newer closed circuit video cameras that can pan and zoom into specific areas or features at the airport.
- heightened visibility of airport police in the terminal areas.
- additional pressure of criminal charges against any individual, who intentionally attempts to avoid passenger screening at Metro Airport.

Katz explained the upgrades are designed not only to increase security performance at the airport, but to make passengers visits as pleasant as possible.

Katz has been in a series of meetings since a story broke Monday that stated a major private study of airline travel shows that airport users blast the outdated facilities at Metro including: lack of speed in handling passengers' baggage, limited ease in reaching terminal gates, limited availability of ground transportation and non-quality display of travel signs.

Airport travelers have been heard to complain about the small size of key Metro Airport facilities - particularly the restrooms.

Katz and others recently visited Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn and examined the new family style restrooms erected there. "Fairlane had a problem similar to what we are going through at Metro Airport," Katz said, "and have made impressive improvements to their restroom facilities."

He hinted similar changes may occur soon at the airport. McNamara and others point out that a major \$1.6 billion expansion plan to bring the airport into the next century has

already been planned and even cite the fact that President Clinton is a strong supporter of such local airport growth.

Most local residents realize that Metro Airport's continual growth has indeed left Metro out-of-date compared to other cities where airport expansion has already occurred.

Katz said an aggressive plan is already underway to rid Metro Airport of its low rankings. "We want to make sure we're not on the bottom of the list" (anyone)

He also explained that one of the key issues facing Metro is that of making the airport "the most friendly place on the planet."

Part of that effort will be to "train, train, train" airport personnel to be more service related. "We have added about three customer service agents to the airport," Katz said.

"We hope to raise that number to 20 in coming months," he added. They will be radio-equipped to aid passengers and also will carry different types of maps for distribution."

Construction project meeting now being planned for March

An informational meeting for parents of Merriman Elementary School students will hopefully be arranged sometime next month with sewer construction representatives, Principal Mary Magill revealed Tuesday.

The meeting will be co-sponsored by the school's administration and the Parents That Care organization, Magill said. Advance information will be passed on to the local media to help spread the word about the planned meeting once it is set up, she said.

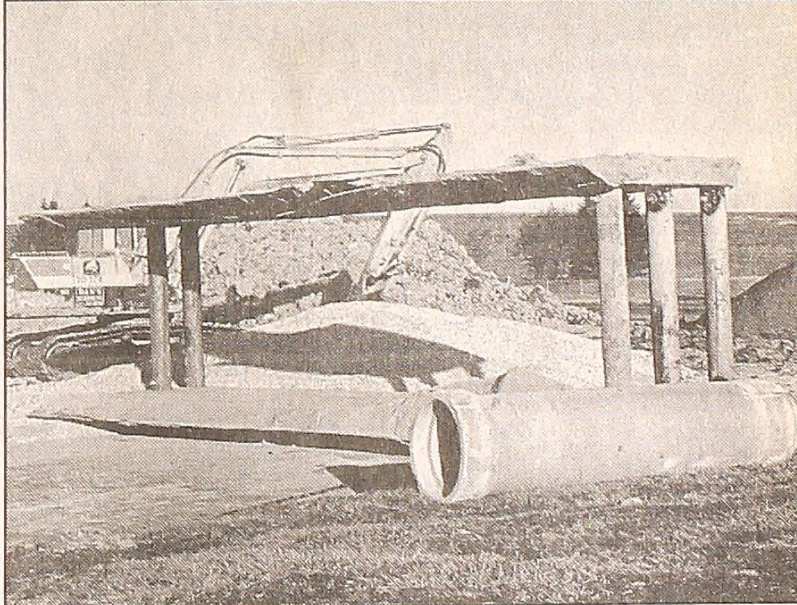
"We will invite representatives from the construction teams to address the parents and neighbors of the school, in an effort to eliminate as much stress as possible from the construction effort," Magill said.

The work effort that is expected to last until spring began earlier this month.

It also was revealed via a letter from Dan's Excavating dated Feb. 3 that residents living in the Colbert Avenue area could face brief interruptions in their "water and/or gas service," but that a company representative would notify them an hour or more before the shut off.

Residents also were alerted to the fact that if they go on vacation during this construction period they should notify Paul DeBusher at Wade-Trim and Associates at 313-291-5400.

The main construction areas are in the area of Colbert and Brandt just off Eureka road in Romulus.



A section of the early construction work out in the Merriman School area is shown here. MCN Special Photo

Shots for pets being planned

Need innoculations or identification microchips for your pet's health or safety?

Well either can be accomplished at the old Romulus Department of Public Health building at Shook and Bibbins from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 28, Animal Control Officer Kim Matthews said Monday.

In addition, Matthews explained the city Treasurer's Office will have personnel on hand to take care of dog license requests. The cost for one year is \$5 (\$1.50 for neutered dogs); two years is \$9 (\$2.50 for neutered) and three years for \$13 (\$4 for neutered).

Senior citizens will be given a 50 percent discount on the license fee.

The cost for various innoculations are: one year rabies, \$5 or three years \$10; distemper, \$15; distemper with Corona \$25; lyme, \$18; and inserting a microchip, \$30.

For more information call Matthews at 942-7591. She can be reached from 9 to 10:30 a.m. weekdays or 4 to 5 p.m.



An exuberant Carole Bales, former Wick Elementary School secretary, is flanked by her new and old bosses last Friday as students and teachers alike paid her massive and emotional tributes for her labors at the school district, particularly the 18 years she worked at the school. At the left is Sam LaMonica, Human Resources director for the district, and her ex-boss Earl Cornett, former Wick School principal and currently head of the district's adult education program. MCN Special Photo

Carole Bales is honored for efforts at Wick school

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

After 18 years as secretary at Wick Elementary School, Carole Bales found last Friday that her former school site had been named after her for a day as a tribute to the students' and teachers' love for her.

Bales, wife of former school trustee Dan Bales, had tears gushing from her eyes at the peak of the tribute as more than 30 Wick School staff members (all dressed in red - her favorite color) sang "Carole we love you!"

Bales left her job at the school last year to accept a promotion to become secretary to district Human Resources Director Samuel LaMonica in the main administration office on Grant road.

"It was really a hard decision to leave Wick School," Bales said last week. "I loved everything about that job: the

people, the students and the community."

As she entered the school building last week she found a red carpet waiting for her and the school renamed for the day in her honor "Carole Bales Elementary School."

Posters, pictures and murals throughout the school building proclaimed the love adults and students have "for this very special lady" as she was called that day.

Each grade presented to her an assembly type tribute showing her personality, her great way with others and her helping nature.

Shirley Soltesz, a veteran Wick School teacher, summed up the school staff's feelings by saying "Carole Bales is Wick School. She epitomizes everything that is good about this building. She has helped so many families and staff members that it is a privilege for me to know her. She already is

greatly missed."

At the special breakfast, many people shared their warm feelings and wonderful stories about the woman everyone called "The Queen."

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Christians seek to kill lethargy

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Lethargy by Christians and other anti-casino backers during the last casino referendum battle throughout Michigan led to the paper-thin win by pro-casino forces, Allen Rice, executive director of the Michigan Interfaith Council on Al-

cohol Programs, declared recently.

Rice, former pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Belleville, said efforts to collect 247,000 anti-casino backers signatures will seek to override that 51-49 percent loss two years ago.

Those signatures need to be collected by May, Rice said,

and then anti-casino forces will seek to educate Michigan voters on the evils of casino spending prior to the November general election.

The anti-casino meeting held earlier this month also heard Bess Hadrill of Dearborn Heights, who serves as leader of the statewide Church Women United.

Hadrill said attendance at casinos disrupt family life, increases abuse against women and usually creates school problems for young children.

The school problems develop from lack of parental involvement, Hadrill said, since parents many times spend long hours at the casinos.

She predicted that unless efforts to open Detroit casinos is defeated in November, compulsive gamblers could defeat efforts by Gov. John Engler and President Clinton to upgrade America's educational rates.

Another speaker, Peter Fletcher, head of a major credit bureau, revealed he learned recently from a major bank official that addictive gamblers have been found to write checks on other persons' bank accounts to cover their casino losses.

Fletcher said he fears that practice will increase if local casino efforts open in a year or two.

John McCartney of Detroit, who chaired the confab at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, said few gamblers who travel to Windsor on a regular basis, will later gamble in Detroit.

"Casino winners in Canada usually do not report those amounts to the IRS and thus will be reluctant to switch to Detroit, where such winnings will have to be accounted for," McCartney said.

He also said many out-of-city residents feel it will be safer to gamble in Windsor than Detroit, because of their preceptions on crime activity there.

It is ironic that many of the concerns listed in recent months by Metro area residents are similar to those raised over two years ago by then U.S. Senator Paul Simon (D-Ill.), who decried the fact that gambling was quickly becoming the fastest growing industry in the U.S.

Simon quoted a high official in Nevada, who he said claimed "If we could get rid of gambling in our state it would be the best thing that could happen to us."

"Major corporations that might locate their main offices here or build their plants here don't do it. They know that gambling brings with it serious personnel problems," Simon added.

"What should not be ignored," Simon concluded, "is the fact we have a problem on our hands (with the growing gambling menace). We need to find sensible and sensitive answers."

McCartney said that the anti-casino effort to collect 247,000 voter signatures statewide will soon begin releasing on a regular basis the number of signatures they have collected to date.

The signatures need to be turned into state officials in May.

The Temple Baptist Church of Plymouth also has reported that two main religious concerts are planned in March and April.

Vocalist Michael Card is slated to entertain at 7:30 p.m. March 20 with reserved tickets costing \$14.50 and \$12.50.

The following month, the "4 Him" Christian quartet will sing at 7:30 p.m. April 24. Tickets will cost \$15.50 and \$13.50.

To order tickets call 1-800-818-5838.

A series of fish fry dinners will be offered to the public every Friday evening during Lent at St. Aloysius School in Romulus.

The dinners beginning at 4:30 will continue until 7 p.m. (or until sold out) and will include fish, potatoes, green beans, cole slaw and a dessert.

Cost will be \$6.50 for adults, \$5.50 for senior citizens and \$3 for children under 10.

The dinners will begin Feb. 27 and continue until April 3.

The school is located next to St. Aloysius Church on Neville, adjacent to Goddard road in downtown Romulus.

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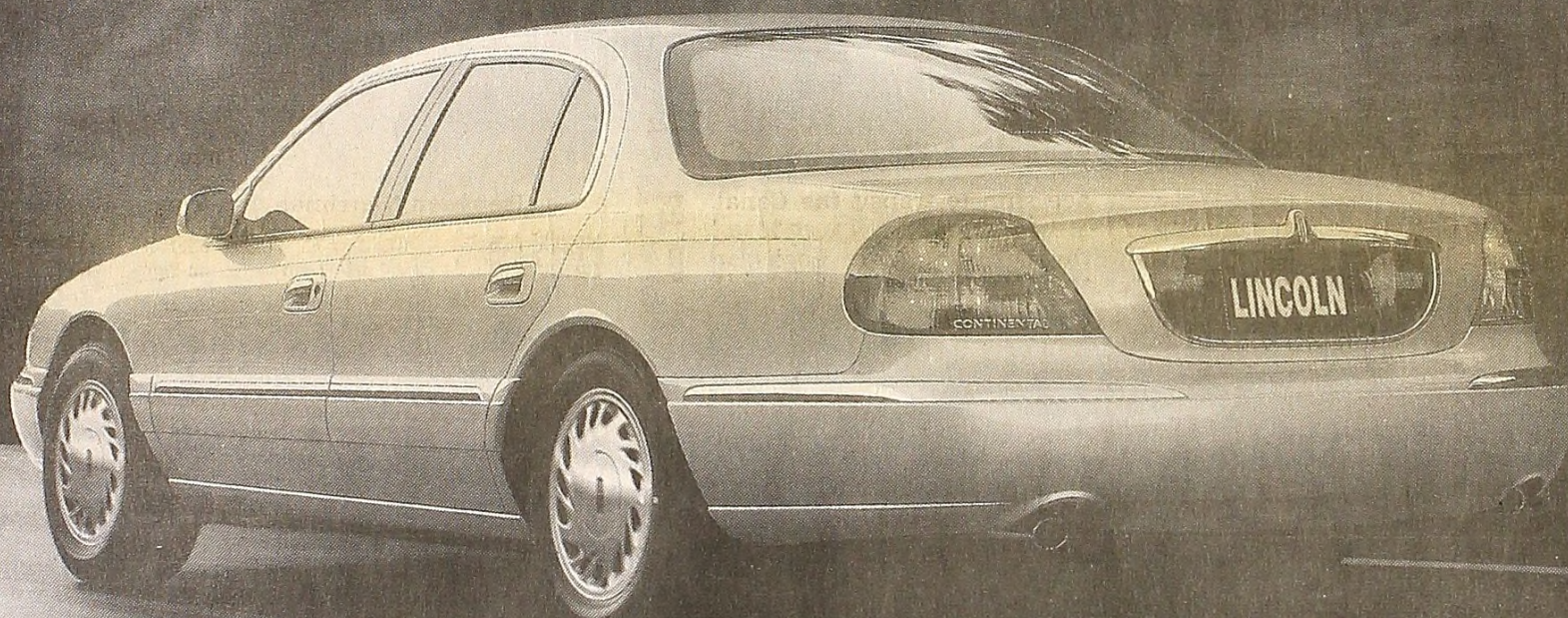
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Western Wayne Moose migrate to Caribbean

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER
MCN Special Writer

Where do Moose migrate in the winter?

While the hoofed variety of Moose remain in the northern woods, some members of the organization that bears their name migrate to warmer climates.

Some 1,000 members of the Loyal Order of the Moose, including four couples from Belleville and one couple from Westland, vacationed aboard the Tropicale on an 11-day cruise to the Panama Canal and five Caribbean islands.

Aboard were Don Truran, Ernie Knust, Kris Matthews and Jim Zinner, all of Belleville Moose Lodge 934, and Jim Wellday of Westland.

After a direct flight to San Juan, Puerto Rico, the group boarded the Tropicale and departed at 10 p.m. Monday for St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands. A stop at St. Barts, followed by a visit to St. Lucia, a day at sea and a stop at Aruba preceded the trip through the locks at the Panama Canal. On the return trip we spent two days at sea, separated by a visit to Ocho Rios, Jamaica, and then disembarked at San Juan to reluctantly head back to Michigan.

"Our favorite ports were Aruba and St. Lucia," said Wellday. The four Belleville Moose members agreed.

"We really enjoyed the temperatures in the 80s and 90s," said Knust.

"The highlight of the trip was the Panama Canal. It was one of the places we have wanted to see, and we wanted to visit the Canal before its return to Panama in 1999," said Zinner.

Don and Virginia Truran enjoyed their visit to Dunn's River Falls, but wished someone had advised them wear to their swim suits under their traveling clothes.

"We got soaked," they said. Matthews, on his first cruise, was pleased with the itinerary and the many events scheduled on the ship.

The ship is a "small town" with several bars and lounges, casino, a huge dining room, two pools, several shops, beauty salon, exercise room, library and infirmary. Cabins have in-wall safes for valuables and one-day photo service for film developing -- just like back home.

To illustrate what a small world it is, Diane West Wellday's mother met people on a tour bus who were neighbors of hers in England. In addition, Diane noted that she formerly lived in Romulus where her neighbor had a karaoke show. The neighbor, we learned, was Billy Manning, a fellow Moose member who performs on Fridays at the Belleville lodge.

• First stop is St. Thomas, the second largest of the U.S.



Steffi (top right), our guide on St. Lucia, takes us to Marigot Bay. A group of Panamanian dancers (bottom) entertained aboard ship during our Panama Canal voyage. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

Virgin Islands and one of the busiest tourist locations in the Caribbean. Two of its beaches, Magen's Bay and Coki Beach, are two of the best in the Caribbean.

St. Thomas with its duty free shopping was a hit with passengers who visited its many stores. Gold, diamonds, liquor and linens were among the bargains offered on the U.S. island, and visitors returned to the ship from a day of shopping with many bags and boxes of treasures.

• Second port is St. Barts, where French is the official language and the franc is the official currency. Its coastline has 22 beaches, all open to the public.

Missing from St. Barts is the friendliness that one finds on the other islands. Martinique, another French island, also lacks the smiling faces and pleasant greetings that one finds on the other islands. Is this something they learned from the French? Whatever the reason, the beauty of the island is not reflected in the demeanor of its inhabitants.

• A welcome change of attitude is experienced at the next stop, St. Lucia, the second largest of the former West Indies Associated States in the Windward island chain of the East-

ern Caribbean. The majority of its 238 square miles is covered with dense tropical flora, such as hibiscus, fragipani, orchids, jasmine and poinciana.

A tour of the island, La Belle Marigot, brings tourists through Castries (the capital), through the residential areas and to the site where fine batik is created. A tour through an old Colonial-style house, where the builder's descendants still reside, provides a delightful insight in life in the early Colonial days on the island. The tour also visits Marigot Bay, a tranquil blue lagoon, surrounded by lush green hills.

• After a day at sea, the ship arrives in Aruba, a paradise of white beaches and clear azure water. The port city of Aruba is Oranjestad and the official languages are Dutch, English, Spanish and Papiamentu (a local language).

While touring the beautiful island, the guide taught us a few words of Papiamentu: ayo (goodbye), bon dia (good morning), bunita (beautiful), dushi (sweet) and sunchi (kiss).

One of the most popular tourist attractions is the 100-foot bridge which eroded from the coral rock by the continuous action of the waves. The Town and Countryside Tour

takes visitors to the natural bridge, Frenchmen's Pass where gold was discovered in 1824, the Wilheminastraat lined with Dutch colonial buildings and St. Ann's Church, which has an oak altar made in Holland. The island has an abundance of divi divi trees, which growth all points in the same direction. The guide tells us that if visitors get lost they can find their way back to the cruise ship by following the direction that the divi divi trees point.

• Panama Canal, which was built at the narrowest point between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, was a great engineering feat -- the digging through the Continental Divide, construction of the largest earth dam and building of the most massive canal locks and largest gates (up to that time) and solving enormous environmental problems. Begun in 1903, the canal first opened in 1914. The monumental project was completed in 10 years at a cost of \$387 million. Since 1903, the U.S. has invested approximately \$3 billion in the Canal enterprise, two-thirds of which has been recovered. On Dec. 31, 1999, as required by a new treaty, the U.S. will transfer the Canal to Panama.

Those who have gone through the locks at Sault Ste. Marie will find that the experience of traveling through the Panama Canal is similar, but on a larger scale. The ship arrives in the morning at Panama and awaits its turn to enter the locks. It requires about nine hours for the average ship to transit the Canal. However, our ship entered through the Gatun Locks on the Atlantic side of the Canal, cruised on scenic Gatun Lake and then returned through the same locks. Ship may continue into the Pedro Miguel Locks and Miraflores Locks to enter the Pacific Ocean.

When one views the dense jungle growth on both sides of the Canal, it provides an insight into the difficulty that the builders had in constructing the Canal.

Passengers were not permitted to leave the ship, but a troop of Panamanian dancers boarded to entertain with native dances. Souvenirs of Panama also were brought aboard for purchase.

• Ocho Rios, Jamaica, is the final stop before returning to Puerto Rico.

No matter which tour visitors choose, it is almost certain to include a visit to the 600-foot Dunn's River Falls, where tourists are led up the waterfall by a nimble-footed guide. Other tours include river rafting, visiting Montego Bay, strolling through the lush, tropical gardens at Coyaba River Gardens and a visit to Discovery Bay where it is claimed that Columbus landed in 1494.

Jamaica is also known for

its "in your face" style of merchandising. Because of the high rate of unemployment, sales to tourists are important to the economy and the tech-

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CITY OF WESTLAND
INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185-2298, on or before Thursday, March 19, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. for the following (no exceptions):

CONSTRUCTION OF MASONRY PARKING SHELTER FOR
THE CITY OF WESTLAND
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from Architects and Planners located at 9429 S. Main Street in Plymouth (734) 453-6060. A mandatory site visitation is required, please contact Robert Tolliver at the Department of Public Services for an appointment (734) 467-3243. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Jill B. Runkle
Purchasing Agent

Publish Date: February 19, 1998
Bid Item No.: 592-31998

CITY OF WESTLAND
1998
RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL
SCHEDULE OF BOARD OF REVIEW MEETINGS

RESIDENTIAL ONLY

March 9 - Monday	9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon	and	1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
March 10 - Tuesday	1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	and	5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
March 11 - Wednesday	9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon	and	1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
March 12 - Thursday	1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	and	5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
March 13 - Friday	9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon	and	1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL ONLY

March 13 - Friday	9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon	and	1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
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BY APPOINTMENT ONLY - CALL 467-3160 TO SCHEDULE APPOINTMENT
Board of Review meetings will be held at Westland City Hall - Second Floor
36601 Ford Road, Westland, MI 48185

WRITTEN APPEALS MUST BE RECEIVED
BY 2:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 1998

Publish: February 19, 1998

CITY OF WESTLAND
Invitation to Bid

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan, 48185-2298, on Tuesday, March 3, 1998 at 11:30 a.m. (no exceptions will be made for late filings) for the following:

TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNS AND RELATED MATERIALS

Specifications may be obtained from the Purchasing Office. For further information relating to the specifications, please contact Richard Dittmar at the Department of Public Service Department at (313) 728-1770. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Jill B. Runkle
Purchasing Agent
City of Westland

Publish: February 19, 1998
Bid Item: 463-030398

CITY OF WESTLAND
INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185, on or before Tuesday, March 3, 1998 at 11:00 a.m. for the following:

CARPETING FOR WESTLAND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE OFFICE AREA

Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids. A mandatory walk-thru is scheduled for February 24, 1998, at 11:00 in the morning.

Jill B. Runkle
Purchasing Agent

Publish: February 19, 1998
Bid Item No: 592977-30398

CITY OF WESTLAND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On Tuesday, February 24, 1997, the Westland Police Dept. will conduct Public Auctions of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The first auction will begin promptly at 10:00 AM at Westland Service Towning, 37501 Cherry Hill, Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	COLOR	V.I.N.
88	DODGE	4 DR. DYNASTY	BURGY	1B3BU4632JD157689
87	FORD	2 DR. MUSTANG	BURGY	1FABP41A1HF190473
84	LINCOLN	TOWNCAR 4 DR.	BLUE	1LNB196F7EY754411

The second auction will begin promptly at 11:00 AM at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Road, Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

85	PONTIAC	ST. WAGON 6000	BROWN	2G2AF35X1F1202437
83	BUICK	2 DR. ELECTRA	BLUE	1G04AX37Y2DH439958
80	AMC	2 DR. EAGLE	BLACK	A0C365C232030
84	CHEV.	2 DR. CELEBRITY	GRAY	2G1AW27X4E1132815
87	CHEV	PU	BLACK	1GCEC14H5BF334964
81	PONTIAC	GRAND PRIX 2 DR.	BURGUNDY	2G2GJ1126H2200796
89	PONTIAC	LEMANS 2 DR.	LT BLUE	KL2TR5169JB357673
86	MERCURY	4 DR	BLACK	2MEBP95F2GX653333
91	HONDA	NIGHTHAWK CYCLE	RED	JH2RC3804MM001081
	GMC	VAN	TAN	TGL2694519369

All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

30 DAY NOTICE OF AUCTION

Due to unknown ownership, 30 day notice is hereby given that the vehicle(s) listed below will be auctioned after December 20, 1997, unless it is claimed by the owner prior to that time:

83	ASSEMBLED TRAILER	SERIAL #B1561
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Publish: February 19, 1998

Demos
to hear
Hamilton

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

"High-Tech Democratic candidate for Michigan Gov. Ed Hamilton will speak before the Westland Democratic Club at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 24 at the Westland Historical, Cultural and Community Meeting House at 37025 Marquette.

Hamilton is currently an executive committee member of the Oakland Democratic Party and claims to be the only conservative in this race for the Democratic governor's nomination this summer.

Hamilton vowed he wants to be Michigan's "first low cost, high quality, strong but compassionate governor."

He also states "since 75 percent of our state population have only a high school education or less, as governor I will upgrade K-12 by ending the educators' monopoly on Michigan public education and by revolutionizing our public library system and ensure equal access to the informational super highway."



Edward T. Hamilton

He joined the Democratic party as a volunteer for John F. Kennedy back in the late 1950's and currently believes in a tax limitation and "will oppose any tampering with the current term limits law."

He also is against any future gas tax hike.

He is a graduate of Michigan State University and has worked for the Chrysler Corp. for the past two decades. He also has been a member of the Cornell University faculty, NAACP, Boy Scouts of America and the League of Women Voters.

For directions on how to reach the Demo meeting call 729-6248 or 595- 6417.

Romulus students
will jump rope
for heart unit

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The students of Barth, Cory, Halecreek and Merriman Elementary Schools are jumping at the chance to fight heart disease.

Each school will be holding a "Jump Rope for Heart" event beginning on March 12 at Barth and Merriman schools, on March 13 at Cory and March 18 at Halecreek.

It was revealed that the students will win prizes and raise money to benefit the American Heart Association's fight against heart disease.

The jump rope exercise teaches participants about the benefits of regular exercise and a healthy lifestyle, while promoting teamwork and building school spirit.

The event also stresses the need for proper nutrition, ex-

The event also stresses the need for proper nutrition, exercise and not smoking.

ercise and not smoking.

Parents and neighbors are asked to support the children as they jump rope for the heart.

Contact the following teachers if you would like to make a donation, volunteer to help or if you have any further questions on the event.

The teachers include: Sheila Stasak, Barth School, 941-2821; Gayle Millspaugh, Cory School, 721-4757; Bill Baum, Halecreek, 941-0536 and Patricia McCollum, Merriman School, 941-6900.

GVSU Dean's List reported

Grand Valley State University announces the names of students who were placed on the dean's list for the fall 1997 semester. The list includes those students who have maintained a 3.5 grade point average and been enrolled for a minimum of 12 credits. The honor is noted on the students' official records.

For more than a decade, Grand Valley has been the state's fastest growing university. That growth has been par-

alleled by increases in the quality of our students and of their academic accomplishments.

Students honored for the fall 1997 semester:

Canton students Brandi N. Bernard, Stephanie E. Layng, Christina M. Mokienko, Alexis S. Moore, and Laura E. Weir.

Romulus student Colleen M. Foley.

Wayne student Kelly A. Nelson

CITY OF INKSTER
INVITATION FOR BIDS

THE CITY OF INKSTER will receive bids at the Office of the City Clerk, 2121 Inkster Road, Inkster, Michigan 48184 until 11:00 A.M. March 2, 1998 at which time and place bids will be opened and read for the following:

WEED CUTTING

Specifications may be picked up after 3:00 P.M. on February 19, 1998 from the Purchasing Department 2121 Inkster Road, Inkster, Michigan 48141. Should you have any questions regarding specifications please contact Jerome Bivins, Superintendent, Department of Public Service, at (313) 563-9773 between the hours of 7:30 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. There will be a Pre-Bid Conference on Thursday February 26, 1998 at 10:00 A.M. at the Inkster Recreation Complex 2025 Middlebelt, Inkster, Michigan. All bidders are required to attend this meeting. There will be two contracts awarded. Contract "A" for vacant lots billed per square yard basis. Contract "B" for vacant houses billed per square yard basis.

THE CITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS, TO AWARD SPLIT BIDS, TO WAIVE ANY IRREGULARITIES OR ACCEPT ANY BID IT MAY DEEM TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CITY OF INKSTER.

Delphine G. Oden
City Clerk
2121 Inkster Road
Inkster, Michigan 48141

Publish: February 19, 1998

A. CITY OF ROMULUS
REQUEST TO RECEIVE BIDS
BID 98-06
DEMOLITION LIST 97-2

The City of Romulus, Michigan, is seeking bids from qualified vendors for the above item.

(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit bids must do so on forms provided by the City. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from Kristian Moe, Purchasing/Computer Services Director, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI or by calling (313) 942-7564.

(2) Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:00 p.m., March 10, 1998. At that time bids will be publicly opened and read.

BID ENVELOPES SHOULD BE MARKED:
CITY CLERK
CITY OF ROMULUS, MICHIGAN
BID 98-06
DEMOLITION LIST 97-2
11111 WAYNE ROAD
ROMULUS, MI 48174-1472

(3) The right is reserved to reject any and all bids and proposals and to waive technicalities. A bid guarantee in the amount of 5% of the bid price will be required.

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CITY OF ROMULUS
NOTICE
1998 BOARD OF REVIEW

To the taxpayers of the City of Romulus: The Board of Review will meet in the Romulus Community Room, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 on the following dates and times by **APPOINTMENT ONLY** for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll.

Meeting dates are as follows:

March 9, 10, 11, 1998:	Residential
	9:00am-12:00pm & 1:00pm-4:00pm
March 12, 1998:	2:00pm-4:00pm & 5:00pm-9:00pm

March 13, 1998:	Commercial/Industrial
	9:00am-12:00pm & 1:00pm-4:00pm

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers are as follows:

Classification	Ratio	Multiplier
Commercial	50%	1.0000
Industrial	50%	1.0000
Residential	50%	1.0000
Developmental	50%	1.0000
Personal	50%	1.0000

Review is by appointment only

Residents and Non-Residents of the City seeking a review of their assessment may appeal "IN PERSON" at these meetings or appeal by letter. All letter appeals MUST be received by the Board of Review no later than March 13, 1998.

Property owners may appoint and authorize a representative to appear on their behalf. All Representatives or Agents MUST submit proof of authorization to act on behalf of the property owner as a prerequisite to appeal to the Board of Review.

If you desire an appointment, please call the Romulus Department of Assessment at (734) 942-7520.

Publish: February 18, 1998
February 26, 1998
March 5, 1998

CITY OF INKSTER
ABSTRACT REGULAR AND SPECIAL
COUNCIL MEETINGS

THE City Council met at 7:41 p.m. on Monday, February 2nd in the Council Chambers; and at 6:52 p.m. on Wednesday, February 11th in the Games Room. Present on February 2nd: Councilpersons Harris-Foster, Hendricks, Clemens, Hampton, Colleran, James and Mayor Bivens. ABSENT: None. Present on February 11th: Councilpersons Harris-Foster, Hampton, Colleran, James and Mayor Bivens. ABSENT: Councilmen Hendricks and Clemens.

FEBRUARY 2ND: PUBLIC Hearing held on submission of full application for potential infrastructure funding for the Brittany Place and Salem Park Subdivision Single Family Housing Projects. STATE of the City Address given by Mayor Bivens. CONSENT Calendar items approved: Minutes of 1/20/98. APPOINTED Tony McKinnie (Democrat); Eugene Brazeal, Jr. (Republican) to the Board of Canvassers; and Marcus Hendricks to the Cable Television Commission. APPROVED the following payment: \$6,007.51 to Wade-Trim; \$17,106.50 to MDOT; \$44,698.89 to SBG; and \$6,917.68 to Willis Corroon. AUTHORIZED purchase of a slide- in dog box for \$3,800. AMENDED Resolution 97-11-686 to purchase computer for \$4,912. ACCEPTED donation from Jack Demmer for the use of a 1997 Ford Thunderbird for two (2) years for the D.A.R.E. Program. APPROVED Change Order No. 1 Revised for the Water Master Plan Improvements Project. APPROVED extensions for Angelo and Marie Gillespie to build a home and Robert Johnson to bring 3757 Ash up to code. APPROVED the refund of the following Good Faith Deposits: \$1,250 to Robert Pettway for 3729 Fox and 3601 Moore; \$150 to Irvid Maitland for 4102 Isabelle; and \$608 to Metro Home Buyers, LLC for 3012 John Daly. ADOPTED resolution supporting Mayor Thomas' efforts to recognize Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday as a legal holiday in the City of Westland. AUTHORIZED 90-day moratorium on approving cellular towers. FEBRUARY 11TH: Awarded General Liability/Automobile Insurance to PENCO/D.J. McCluskey for \$159,772 from 2-14-98 through 7-1-98. MEETINGS adjourned at 9:46 p.m. and 6:58 p.m., respectively. (Full text available upon request)

Delphine G. Oden, CMC
Inkster City Clerk

Publish: February 19, 1998

Police Beat

M I C H I G A N C O M M U N I T Y N E W S P A P E R S

By RITA BEDELL
MCN Police Writer

Postal Box
Vandalized

The U.S. Postal Service has reported that the collection box at the Wayne Post Office was broken into between 6:30 and 10 pm on Thursday, Jan. 29.

Mail was stolen from the collection box during the break-in. This type of crime effects the ability of the Postal Service to deliver the mail.

A cash reward is offered by the Postal Inspection Service for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible for this.

Any person with information should contact the Postal Inspection Service at (313) 226-8184, 24 hours a day.

All information will be kept confidential.

Van Buren
Reports

On Feb. 6, a fight broke out at Parkwood Manor. Police were called to mediate and a report was made.

A traffic stop was made on Belleville Road on Feb. 6 at 6:02pm. The vehicle was found to have open intoxicants. The driver was given a traffic citation.

A report was made of an armed robbery at Lakewood on Feb. 6 at 6:32pm.

Someone on the S. Service Dr. was playing their music a little too loud for the neighborhood on Feb. 6 in the late evening hours of Feb. 6. Police went to the location and advised them to turn down the tunes.

A domestic dispute sent Van Buren Police to a location on Arthur on Feb. 6 at 8:30pm. Police took a report.

A car fire was called into the Fire Department #2 at 11:35 pm on Feb. 6. The department rushed to the scene and distinguished the flames.

A verbal domestic dispute sent officers to the Diamondback on Feb. 7 in the extreme early morning hours. A report was made and everyone was calmed down.

A missing person report was taken from the 60 block of Rose Blvd. on Feb. 7.

Farmer Jack's reported retail fraud on Feb. 7 at 9:24am. Police responded and made an arrest.

Police were summoned to the 7700 block of Kirkridge. Report was taken of threats being made. All was cleared when officers left.

A traffic accident at Ecorse

and Belleville Roads sent one person to St. Joe's Hospital.

Van Buren Police were called to Belleville Rd. and Van Born to assist Westland Police in making an arrest.

Meijers reported retail fraud on Feb. 7 at 2:00pm. Police were called and they made an arrest.

Shell Gas Station said someone drove off without paying for their gas on Feb. 7.

A call came from the Bellepointe Sub on Feb. 7 at 5:38pm. The caller stated that a man dressed in a clown outfit was scaring people.

Turned out that the clown was doing a birthday party in the neighborhood.

Van Buren officers went to the Metro Airport to pick up a fugitive and make an arrest on Feb. 7.

A child custody case sent officers to a location on Roger Ave. The children were transferred without any problems.

A domestic violence case was called from a home at Capitol Hills. A juvenile was arrested and taken to the Wayne County Youth Home in Detroit.

A family in Parkwood reported verbal domestic problems. Police went to the location to help settle the problem. The man of the house decided to leave for the night.

Kids were playing games on residents at Van Buren Estates. They were turning the power off to the residents from the outside. Police were called and the kids were turned over to their parents.

A physical domestic problem sent officers to a location on Parkwood on Feb. 8 at 12:35am. One of the persons resisted police and was arrested and lodged at the jail.

A cab driver called police to a location on Belleville Rd. The recipient of the cab ride decided not to pay for the services. It was paid for when police arrived.

A medical emergency was called into the fire dept. on Feb. 8 from a location on Lenmore. When they arrived, they found a young child to be having seizures and a 105 temperature.

The parents refused ambulance service.

A harassment complaint was made from a location in the 48000 block of Denton Rd.

Someone reported their wallet being stolen from Dunham's.

A medical emergency was called to the fire dept. on Feb. 8 at 6:49pm from a location at Green Meadows. A 2 year old

was having seizures and was transported to St. Joe's.

Someone from Harbour Club called and said their was a disorderly man in the parking lot area. Turned out to be an intoxicated man who lived in the area. Police transported him to his address.

Romulus Reports
Armed Robbery

On Feb. 6, at about 8:15pm, a man stated that he was robbed in the parking lot of the NBD Bank located on Middlebelt Rd.

The victim was approached by a black male, about 30 years old, 6' with a medium build with crooked yellow teeth and a black Adidas 3/4 length coat. He fought with this man when a second man appeared and struck him in the face with a handgun.

The second suspect was described as a black male, 30's, 6'2" with a thinner build and a red headband. It all started when the victim was making a withdrawal at the ATM machine.

The suspects made away with \$140 that was withdrawn. The victim did not want to make a report, but when his wife took him to the hospital, he was forced to make the statement.

On Feb. 7 at 2:00am, police were summoned by an alarm at Sunlight Market on Eureka Rd.

Phone lines were cut which triggered the alarm.

On Feb. 7, hubcaps were stolen from a 1994 Buick parked at the Royce Hotel on Wick Rd.

Sometime between the hours of 6 and 8:30 pm, the left front window of a Ford Expedition was broken. No sign of entry was seen. The call was reported from the 9400

block of Terry.

On Feb. 7, police received a call from a home on Huron River Dr. at Walnut which reported a rear hatch window being broken from a vehicle.

On Feb. 8, the Clark Gas Station on Ecorse Rd. called and reported the front window was broken by an unknown object. 20 - one gallon bottles of windshield solvent were stolen from an outside display from the location. Nothing was missing from inside.

Vicious drivers caused a traffic fight on Van Born and Inkster Roads on Feb. 8. Several men were involved in the fight.

One of the persons was struck in the head by a foreign object. One person was arrested and an investigation continues into the cause of the fight.

Police observed a vehicle moving at a high rate of speed on Eureka at Brandt. They tried to stop the vehicle and the driver fled recklessly. A chase continued.

It was discovered that the car was stolen from Ypsilanti. During the chase a gun was thrown from the window. After losing them during the chase, police located the car in Ypsilanti and the persons were arrested.

On Feb. 9, a call came in from he 30000 block of Pennsylvania Rd. The drivers side door and side window had been broken and all the tires were flattened on a 1990 Pontiac Grand Prix between 2:10-6:50am.

CSX Transport reported that a tool box and Dewalt Drill was stolen from a pick up truck. The cap door was pried open and damaged. The truck was parked in the south parking lot of CSX located on Middlebelt Rd.

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Westland may pay after feeble attempt to ruin Skene

Chuck Skene is a happy guy, today! He stood up to the Westland political machine, and won. Not many of our civil servants have had the guts to stand tall. No one has challenged the machine in a court of law and won. No one, that is until the former Parks and Recreation director stood trial last week and was found NOT Guilty.

Skene's problems began when he failed to enthusiastically support Mayor Robert Thomas and his political cronies. Skene did not become part of the clique that runs Westland. In turn, he did not contribute his share of dollars to the various political fund raisers the Clique deemed appropriate. He was the odd man in a very tight political machine. Mayor Thomas wanted him out. He was destined to be scrapped unceremoniously.

In April of 1997, Skene was fired. Mayor Thomas and the Clique came up with a bevy of charges to trash Skene's reputation—four counts of embezzling nearly \$10,000. Enough, if found guilty to put Skene behind bars for 10 years. One of the charges really ripped at his reputation. The City claimed Skene on two occasions took money from a fund set up for disabled children. They also claimed Skene was a compulsive gambler and stole the money to pay gambling debts.

Skene left City Hall ashamed and hurt. In his heart he felt he had done nothing wrong, yet publicly he was standing trial for stealing money. He found solace from many friends and a job selling advertising from Ed Wendover, publisher of the Community Crier.

The Wheels of Justice turned slowly over

the next several months. Skene refused offers to settle the case out of court. He knew he had done nothing wrong. Finally, he had his week in court.

The Prosecution called his former secretary, Nora Herbert to testify for them. Instead of telling the jury that Skene took the money, Herbert explained that any number of city employees were near the money, and could have taken it. She theorized that the police investigators didn't do a lot of research and possibly targeted Skene, because they knew Mayor Thomas wanted him fired.

Her testimony as well as that of former Finance Director Michael Gorman, who admitted that the City could produce no evidence that funds were missing, pretty much made it easy for the jury to proclaim Skene not guilty. In an unusual show of support, the jurors stood up and shook Skene's hand one-by-one after the verdict much like the pit crews shook the hand of Dale Earnhardt after he won the Daytona 500 last Sunday.

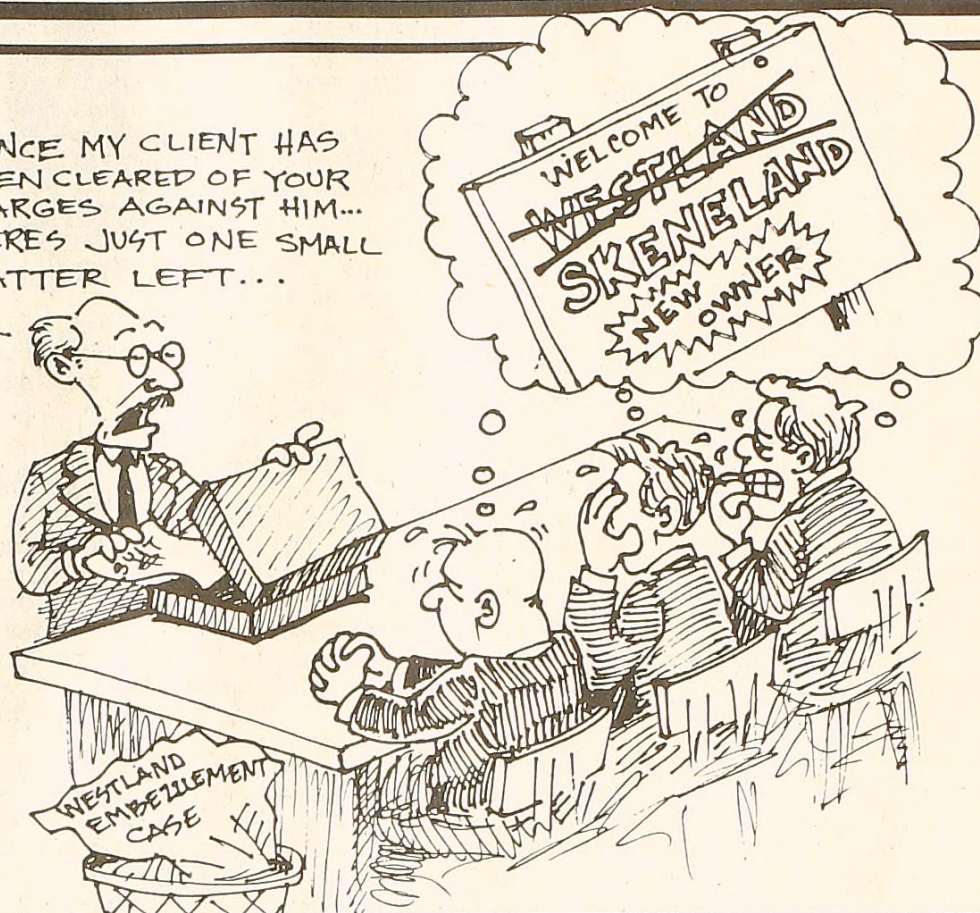
Now the question in some circles is how much money will Skene win when he sues Westland for wrongful discharge? Does the new city name Skeneland have a good "ring" to it? You can bet that smile on Chuck Skene's face is going to last a long time. He got the best of the Westland political machine, and is in the driver's seat to claim a whole lot more.



Mike's musings

Mike Wilcox

...SINCE MY CLIENT HAS BEEN CLEARED OF YOUR CHARGES AGAINST HIM... THERES JUST ONE SMALL MATTER LEFT...



Thanks a Million

WEEKLY SYNDICATED COLUMN by PERCY ROSS

Millionaire Percy Ross is known for his philanthropic work. He offers help and encouragement for those in need. He has earned a fortune and a wealth of knowledge during his lifetime and wants to share both. His motto: "He who gives while he lives... also knows where it goes."

How to Measure Your Height in the Eyes of a Child

Dear Mr. Ross: As social workers, we're told not to get personally involved in any of our cases. I say, every once in a while you need to make an exception. I'm working with a 55 year old grandmother who is raising her bi-racial grandchildren. The fathers of the children are unknown—no paternity was ever established. The mother of the children is in jail doing a sentence of 5 years. She may be eligible for parole next year, but if I had my way she'd serve another 50 years. Prior to these 3 children living with their grandmother, the abuse and neglect they suffered would give you nightmares. The grandmother has been awarded custody, so at least the children are safe now and attend weekly counseling. Christmas has come and gone and the kids got a few things, but what they really wanted were bicycles. The oldest is 9 and the twins are 7. If I could afford \$375 for bikes I would, but I just can't short my own family. As I recall though, you have a special place in your heart for kids who have never owned a bike. What do you say? You could be a real hero in the lives of 3 children who have known almost exclusively despair and poverty.

Mr. T. L. ... *Midweek Plus*, Fargo, ND

Dear Mr. L.: My hero days are long over, but yours have just begun. I'll start you off with a special bike fund of \$375 and pledge each Christmas to award you with up to \$500. There's a saying, "A man never stood so tall except when he stooped down to help a child." When you witness the joy in a child's eyes when you present him or her with a new bike, it's a feeling you'll never forget. Please carry on the tradition for me.

Dear Percy: I'm sitting here looking out the window and I'm thinking, let it snow, let it snow, let it snow. Why? Because there's nothing I can do to prevent it anyway. Snow removal has become a real issue in my life ever since my snow blower went to snow blower heaven. In my 63 years, I've suffered 2 heart

attacks, both while shoveling snow. Six years ago I got a snow blower and haven't had to look at the inside of a hospital ever since. I've tried to hire the neighbor kids to do my shoveling, but they're unpredictable and not very motivated to earn a few bucks. So here I sit until spring or the first major thaw. A sturdy, dependable snow blower will run me about \$560. It's hard to ask, but my independence is on the line. I can't offer to repay you, but then I notice most people don't. Could this be my lucky day?

Mr. G. M. ... *Daily Mining Gazette*, Houghton, MI

Dear Mr. M.: You live in Michigan and you're hoping this is your lucky day to receive a snow blower? Good Lord, man, it's your constitutional right to own one if you're a resident of Northern Michigan! Federal Express, priority handling, is how you're receiving \$560, without a moment to spare. In more ways than one, I'm sure you'll find this to be a lifesaver.

Dear Percy Ross: I'm 12. We were given a class project to write about a famous person. I picked you because you seem kind of famous. You helped my neighbor last year and ever since I have been reading your column. I need to know how much money you give away each year. I don't mean to get real personal or anything, but it would probably help my grade if I had information like that to include in my paper.

J. C. ... *Albion Advertiser*, Medina, NY

Dear J. C.: If you want to get a passing grade, you should select a real celebrity to write about. You see, nobody knows how much I give away, not even my wife. As you go through life, you'll learn that some things don't need to be measured.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Economy like the man the lifeboats!

To the editor:

The US economy is starting to resemble the ship "Titanic."

Recently some Wall Street "gurus" have actually compared our domestic economy to a great "super-tanker"—unstoppable and unsinkable.

Asia is the iceberg-darkly looming.

Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan is the captain of our ship. And Bill Clinton is our master of ceremonies and social director.

Of late, Clinton has been doing

his hilarious Calvin Coolidge imitations—government by publicity stunts and photo opportunities. Of course, no one but the truly uninformed takes this seriously.

Meanwhile, Captain Greenspan and first officer Robert Rubin are assessing the "situation". At this point there is no amount of money they would not spend to contain the damage. Asia will be "flooded" with US Dollars.

The ship's designer and architect, the Englishman, John Maynard Keynes sees the damage and says dejectedly: "In the long run we're all dead. I should have nev-

er left bloody Bloomsbury."

The passengers, of course, continue to party. But the more perceptive passengers notice that the ship has a different "feel" to it. Sort of like the Dow Jones Industrials since last August.

Of course, panic must be avoided at all cost. But can the ship be saved? Maybe. But be forewarned: Stay close to the life boats because March and April are dangerous months in the North Atlantic and in the financial markets.

Walter Warren
Westland

Put the Bray's donkey on city hall

Two issues. One important. One not.

The unimportant issue, of course, is Wayne-Westland's bond. By the time you read this, voters will have decided whether or not pupils will be guinea pigs for unproven computer teaching and babysat in expensively remodeled buildings.

'Twas a choice not worth making because the \$108-million bond proposal was the wrong priority at the wrong time. Instead of an educational option, the bond should've been seen as a symptom of the district's delusions of grandeur.

Board members and administrators thought that by spiffing up the buildings they let run down, and that by putting pupils online, they could divert parents' attention from the district's poor test scores.

Perhaps the remodeled buildings could bamboozle the public for a few years, but they will no more help Wayne-Westland students pass the high school proficiency test than the Lion's new stadium will help them win the Super Bowl.

Though some parents may be fooled, the schools' Day of Reckoning will arrive and the failures will have to be faced. But not today.

Instead, I'd rather deal with an important issue: the demolition of Bray's, a landmark restaurant on Ford Road in Westland.

Bray's is best known for its donkey ornament. It's also known for its fried Belly-buster burgers. I'll concern myself with the fiberglass jackass.

Problem is, Westland's planning commission has ordered the donkey inside where it

will be less visible.

They can do this because Bray's is expanding. A bull market on Belly-busters has caused the business to outgrow the small restaurant, which consists of a grill and a few countertops.

To expand, the owner had to apply for a new site plan.

Westland's planners refused to approve any designs that featured the donkey outside. Why? Are city planners blind to tradition? Are they afraid that the donkey is too popular to be left outside?

It never ceases to amaze me how eager city planners are to either destroy a tradition or trash popular taste.

At best, the donkey is the nicest outdoor ornament in Western Wayne County. (The Summit's nude statue being the runner-up.) At worse, it's no tackier than Bob Thomas' name on the marquee at Westland's city hall.

Perhaps the solution is to put the donkey inside city hall and a statue of Mayor Thomas on Bray's. Better yet put statues of all city planners opposed to the donkey on area burger joints. Then residents could see that not all jackasses are the same. The best of the breed, the Bray's donkey deserves to remain outside. It's not Westland without him.



Ivan Helfman

Journalism loses its way in Zippergate

by Kurt Kuban

As I sat in front of my television watching the horde of reporters and photographers badger and harass star-of-the-hour Monica Lewinsky as she desperately tried to leave her fathers home to go out and get a bite to eat, I realized how the field of journalism has drastically changed over the last couple decades.

It has become apparent that today's national media is painfully out of touch with average America. And it is for this reason that a good, local press is so important for a community.

The role of a free press has its origins in the infancy of our nation. National icons such as Thomas Jefferson and James Madison believed it so essential to have a press free of governmental constraints, they included such a proclamation in the First Amendment, alongside the right to free speech and religion. The premise is that with a functioning press, the American citizenry would have an outlet to look to, to learn about the issues and events that shape and affect their lives.

During the 1960s and 70s, the press may have played its greatest role in informing everyday, normal Americans that our government's policies were not in sync with what the majority wanted. First the Vietnam war was shown to be a quagmire with

no clear objectives and was essentially a killing field for our young sons and daughters. And then, Tricky Dick and his behind-closed-doors operations were discovered, and the term Watergate became synonymous with governmental corruption and American distrust in their political machine (a symptom that still hangs over our heads today).

Undoubtedly, the national press did a commendable job during that period. We were glued to our nightly news and daily newspapers watching and learning, often in disgust, the events unfold.

Yet, today, the motivating factors which drive our press have fundamentally changed. The press corps which staked-out Lewinsky's father's home more resembled a pack of ravenous wolves than a responsible press. These people were so hungry for a story, they tried to get Lewinsky to say something, anything, that could spiral into "news." One reporter even rear-ended Lewinsky's vehicle (which may give some credence to the theory that it was a group of "paparazi" that ran Princess Di into a premature death).

What is scary is that this new breed of journalism is motivated by the sole factor of profit. It is no secret that the corporations

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Letters to the Editor

M I C H I G A N C O M M U N I T Y N E W S P A P E R S

Music is an important part of my life

To the editor:

I am a member of the Belleville band program, and I feel the need to express my utmost concern for our education or lack thereof. Music is an important part of many people's lives, and if the bond isn't passed then the opportunities available to us at the moment will not be available to the students interested in joining band in the future. By not passing the bond the band program will have to censor the incoming students. No longer will it be open to anyone who wishes to be apart of it. Because of the enormous popularity of band no longer are the current students able to fit in the band room.

The band room in its current state is not a safe place for us to learn in, since when we play all together the music is at a higher decibel level than is safe to listen to. We are forced to break up the band into sections so that we can play. Everyday part of the Concert Band must go to the auditorium to play which makes it very difficult to practice as an ensemble.

In the past two years the bond has failed to pass because it will raise tax rates. But when you think about it isn't worth it to pay a little extra to insure the safety of our communities children?

Passing of the bond will not only allow us to build a bigger and better equipped band room, but it will also provide for renovations of some of our elementary and junior high buildings that are no longer fit or safe for the children of Belleville to be educated in, even look past our own selfishness to help provide for a safer education and the choice of being involved in a great music program then I don't understand how we can look at ourselves everyday after denying the children that right.

Thank you and I hope now you will vote yes towards the passing of the bond.

Melissa Wallace

A concerned band student and community member

Edgemont alumnus shocked at school's condition

To the editor:

I am writing in deep concern for the future of the children in the Van Buren Public School district. The purpose of a public education, in my opinion, is to provide for the students. As an alumnus to Edgemont Elementary I am shocked to see that the school is still in the same condition that it was in when I was attending. The trailer that was brought in to solve a temporary problem (lack of space) is still being used, but now as a classroom to teach students in. The students in the trailer are not given the chance to even be a part in the building for they are stuck out in the trailer. Now if you were the parent to one of these children wouldn't you want your child to be a part of the school. Last time I thought classrooms were in the school building. The children in this school interrupt the learning process for others when they must walk through the joining classrooms in order to get from the classroom to another part of the school. This presents a problem when younger students have a shorter attention span. The teachers then have to take another five minutes or class time to refocus their students. Let us be reminded that this happens twice when leaving and returning.

Another point that I must bring to your attention is that of the future of the BHS band program. In this program I have learned that when a group of equally devoted students work together, we can accomplish a goal that we could not accomplish on our own. I have seen this program give kids a future that regular studies couldn't provide. I have personally been given so many opportunities that one could have only dreamed of. I had the opportunity to play in Carnegie Hall, Hill Auditorium, a major football bowl and most importantly for our

community. As the president of the bands I feel strongly that in order to continue this excellence we need to consider what this bond will provide for the students. After this year I will be graduating and I plan to attend the University of Michigan. If I can say one thing about the program it is this: it is one of the best things that has ever happened to me and that I hope it will provide for the future students what it provided for me a family, support, and my future.

Deb Powers,
Belleville

Passing Van Buren bond is kids work

To the editor:

When I was a kid I learned two important rules. Never put off what you can today, and life is about sacrifices. These two important rules applied to my life then and I believe they will apply now.

Never put off what you can do today was always hard for me to follow when it applied to cleaning my room. It always seemed going out to play was more important then cleaning my room. It always seemed going out to play was more important then cleaning my room, but no matter how many times I entered my room the mess was still there. Much to my amazement the mess continued to grow in size. It finally reached the point that at the end of the week I would spend a beautiful Saturday inside cleaning the mess I had created.

Last but not least the rule about sacrifice. As a child I was classified as a busy body. I was also ways on the go. Whether it was dance class, bowling, or theater. It finally came to the point where I was doing to many things and may parents started to get worn out. I had to stop and sacrifice. What was more important to me?

These two examples might seem like they do not relate to the bond issue but they actual do. We need to pass this bond now! Yes it will increase the cost of your taxes but it will be worth it to the kids who depend on you for the promise of

there future. I believe that the future of our community is important enough to sacrifice for. Please do not put off what you can do today. If a seven year old and grasp or understand the importance of these two rules I am sure that you can find it your heart to understand and follow these rules. Our future is more than worth it.

Shontaya Overall

Time to build new schools, update others

To the editor:

I would like to make you aware of the Van Buren School District Bricks and Mortar Fund that is to be voted on February 21, 1998. I gladly, support this millage and agree with it that it is time to build new schools and update others. I have one child that attends Rawsonville Elementary and three others that will be attending in the future. I do not want my children attending a school with lead paint, asbestos, leaking roofs, etc...

Recently rumors have started that the school will be relocated. I do not wish for that to happen but if it is in the best interest of the children, then so be it. What is important is that children are learning in the best environmental possible. Wherever my children attend school I know that I will be there to help out in any way I can. I recently attended a PTO meeting at Rawsonville and the discussion got quite intense and people/parents (that have not attended all year) were there to talk board meeting items regarding the millage instead of the volunteers for the school itself. Parents don't want the school moved but yet don't want to do anything for it either. All of sudden they come out of the woodwork when they think the school is going to be moved. To bad they didn't have this energy when it comes to PTO meetings and fund-raisers and other school functions.

Norma Richards
Ypsilanti

Zippergate

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have bought up the majority of our major daily newspapers and media outlets, which is why they now all resemble one another. The wire service has become one of the most important players in our major "news" rooms. And today, more times than not, that wire service is filled with gossip and irrelevant stories. Star magazine and the CBS nightly news are looking for their stories in the same cesspools, a fact which has never bothered those at Star, but is a disgrace for CBS, once the epitome of good journalism. In a time not so long ago, the press refused to take photographs of President Roosevelt below the waist because he was in a wheelchair. Today, however, they go into vivid detail about President Clinton's genitalia. If they had photos, they would probably run them. Something is wrong.

Which gets me back to the importance of a local press. Newspapers such as the MCN, don't treat their readers as consumers, but as a citizenry that needs to be informed about the issues that affect our lives (sounds an awful lot like what Jefferson intended). We need to know if our children are attaining a decent educa-

tion, if our local politicians are doing the job we elected them to do, and if our roads are going to be repaired. The so-called "sex-scandals" in Washington don't really have any bearing on our lives.

Don't get me wrong, we should keep an eye on what goes on in Washington. We live in the greatest country in the world, and our president should be the highest representative of that legacy. If he has engaged in some of the al-

legations that have been made against him, we should be outraged. But shouldn't we wait until the facts are known? Isn't that what good journalism is about: reporting the facts and not trying to manufacture them?

So, as the national media continues to grow into a major player in the entertainment industry, those of us in middle-America should increasingly turn to the small, local press which still bears us in mind

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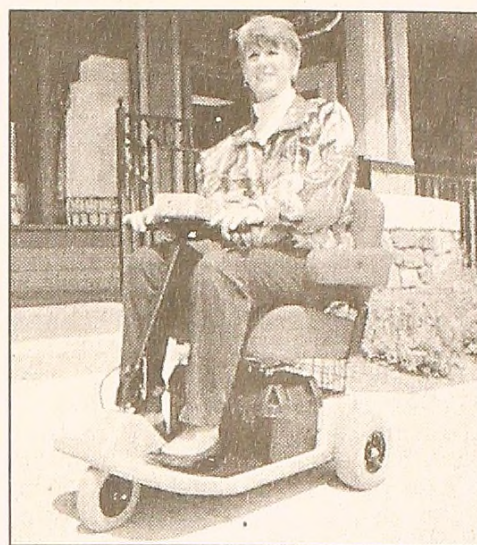
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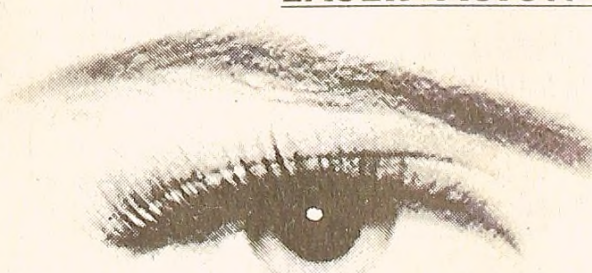
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Skene may sue Westland for slander

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BY W. EDWARD WEN-DOVER

Being innocent, while being painted guilty with a politically-motivated brush, is tough to take.

Chuck Skene, knowing that his father flew in from Florida the night before and now sitting in the courtroom behind him, tries to hold his composure while the final summations of embezzlement charges go the jury.

Skene, his father, and other family and friends know that he's innocent. This is the man who was named the "Westland Citizen of the year" just before he was fired and falsely accused. Ten months later, he was sitting through two weeks of trial - his personal and professional life hanging in the balance.

As Skene's defense attorney, Steve Boak said, "It's a lot harder to go through it when you're innocent, than when you're guilty."

Boak understood how his client felt to face the City of Westland's five ersatz felony charges. But he had no choice but to guide Skene through the legal system's maze.

Then, this past Thursday morning, the jury came in after two-and-a-half hours...

"Not guilty," on all counts. It was hard to hide his father crying in the courtroom - Charlie Skene had come up from Florida for the final days in court. Even when a search warrant was served by surprise at the Skene parents' house in Northville, they'd stuck by.

Did Charlie Skene now see the 10-month long ordeal for his son end Thursday morning?

It officially ended with the jury's "not guilty" verdict on four counts. (A fifth count was thrown out by Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Timothy

Kenny on a directed verdict.) But, for a man falsely accused, when does it really end?

Does it end when the jury members waited outside the courtroom to shake Skene's hand and wish him well?

Or does it end a half-an-hour later when Skene's friends phone-fanned-out to their "network?"

Does it end when the newspapers run the stories about the "not guilty" verdicts? Will it end once Skene's daughters hug him and tell him they knew their father was innocent all along?

Does it end with a victorious civil suit against the individuals who, in Skene's eyes, were out to get him?

Or, does it ever completely end?

Skene admits that he was warned about the City of Westland's political system when he left the City of Plymouth's P&R position four years ago. "With a city manager form of government, you tend to have a more professional city management and department heads - not your cronies or allies," Skene said.

And, Skene admits, he knew the Westland P&R job was called a "graveyard." No one had ever moved to other, larger community P&R jobs after serving in Westland. (In fact, one former Westland P&R director was fired and then ran, and won - for mayor... Charles Pickering.)

But, as City of Plymouth P&R director for 19 years, Skene knew recreation and faced heat there on the City of Plymouth residency requirements. He needed to land somewhere else.

Westland - home of his new wife, Judy, and her sons and daughter - seemed a natural. He took the job.

"I knew what I was walking into was a volatile situation - especially in parks and recreation," Skene said.

Westland Mayor Robert



Chuck Skene (left) and his lead defense attorney, Steve Boak, celebrate with lunch at the Plymouth Landing last Thursday following Skene's acquittal. The restaurant, owned in part by Westland City Attorney Angelo Plakas, is also a favorite spot for Westland Mayor Robert Thomas to hold gatherings. Thomas did not attend Skene's celebration.

Thomas first fired Skene in June, 1995, but City Council member Sharon Scott backed Thomas down. He was rehired.

Then he was fired on April 22. Skene said that three days later the Westland Deputy Mayor George Gillies called Barb Polich of the Westland Civitans to ask them not to give the "Citizen of the year" award to Skene.

"Less than a week before it happened, he was telling them (the Civitans) that I was being charged with embezzlement and that I was guilty," Skene said.

The mayor, who could not be reached for comment, was quoted as saying Skene was not fired because of the embezzlement allegations even though he was fired the day the Westland search warrants were served.

"He can say that all he wants," Boak said. "But I don't think a civil jury will find it a coincidence he was fired seven days before they brought charges."

That's a very strong hint that Skene will be filing a civil lawsuit for being falsely accused, for slander, for back pay and retirement accrual.

Westland residents, taxpayers and employees may feel the bite of Skene's pending lawsuit. Some Westland city employees have already asked whether they'll be cut back; or will Westland taxes be hiked to pay off a Skene lawsuit?

"Maybe they'll take this out of the administrators' salaries," Boak chuckled.

Will the several individuals who worked for Westland be sued as individuals too?

"They should have thought of that before," Skene said Monday.

"Obviously, that's a big topic of discussion over there (at Westland City Hall)," Boak said. "They may have some (personal) immunity on some of the charges, but on others no (immunity)."

A Skene lawsuit against Westland may also seek damages that the embezzlement allegations destroyed his reputation in the P&R profession - even though the jury found him "not guilty." "From a P&R standpoint I still think I've been politically assassinated," Skene said after his acquittal.

"I'd be very surprised if I could ever find a recreation job."

But there are other hurts that Skene suffered too. Even a civil suit might not right those wrongs, he admits.

Take, for example, how Skene's daughter learned of the charges against her father.

"I was fired at 11 a.m. on

April 22. Somehow The Detroit News heard about it and started trying to find me," Skene said.

Even though Skene had since remarried, "The reporter, Manny Lopez, called my ex-wife's house in Plymouth and got the recording. He left a message that said, 'Yes, Mr. Skene, I'd like to have a comment from you on your dismissal and the upcoming embezzlement charges,'" Skene said.

"Guess who got the recording first - my (then) 11-year-old daughter, Cathy," Skene said angrily. "I didn't even get a chance to tell her. This didn't endear me to newspapers," he added.

And the charges themselves angered Skene.

Seized in the search of his parents' house was a copy of Spartan magazine.

"They tried to allege that was gambling paraphernalia," Skene laughed.

Boak didn't think the "Key-stone Cops" allegations were at all funny.

"I specifically asked the officer what it (Spartan magazine) had to do with this case," Boak said. "He didn't have any idea. He just thought it had to do with this case because it had sports statistics in it."

"The prosecution alleged some \$30,000 in gambling (losses). There was no proof that he lost a dime," the attorney argued. "For example, if he went to an ATM at the casino, say he got \$200... they say it was a \$200 loss but they don't know what he did with the money."

"Their whole surveillance (of Skene) was a joke," Boak said.

The "evidence" submitted by the prosecution offended Skene and Boak. "If there were two ways to look at something, they always construed it against Chuck," the attorney said.

Boak said that the "evidence" offered by the prosecution never even proved money was missing, let alone whether his client had taken any money.

The prosecution tried to imply that Skene took money from the city's funds.

"They changed their story three times in this to try to make something fit," Skene said.

"Now you tell me they weren't trying to throw something against the wall and see if anything would stick."

The jury didn't buy it. Key testimony that apparently swayed the jury toward

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Mid-winter getaways revitalize

I've never been in favor of placing people in categories, especially in age groups. Once people are grouped in a category, people tend to generalize about their characteristics, and myths spring up about how "all senior citizens do this or all retirees are like that."

All mature adults don't drive 35 miles in the left lane of the freeway (a few do); all older people aren't ill and incapacitated (a few unfortunately are); all senior citizens aren't cranky (a few are), and all retirees don't squeeze their quarters until the eagle squawks (a few do.)

For instance, the myth that older people are not active or energetic was dispelled on my recent 11-day cruise to the Panama Canal and several Caribbean Islands.

The majority of the passengers were feisty fifties, spirited sixties and seventies and eager eighties. The oldest passenger was 92 -- almost 93. They swam in the pool, danced at the lounges, participated in the contests, gambled in the casino, toured the islands and also scuba dived and snorkled



Life after deadlines

Joan Dyer-Zinner

along the beaches.

Amazingly, a 70-year-old member of our party and his spouse, climbed the rocky 600-foot waterfalls at Dunn's River in Jamaica, along with a group of youngsters and young adults. An ankle injury (on the ice in my driveway two days before departure) prevented me from the climb this trip, but my spouse and I climbed the falls three years ago.

Touring the sites at St. Thomas, St. Barts, St. Lucia, Aruba, Jamaica and Puerto Rico were high energy activities with lots of walking on the hilly streets plus climbing stairways at various attractions on the islands. Yet, I didn't see many of the older passengers bypass the activities in favor of a lounge chair on the Lido Deck.

Many of our fellow pas-

"We can do what we want to do when we want to do it. It's a great life."

- Retired woman

sengers were Snowbirds from the Northwest, Central States and Northeast. They live in their home states through the summer and early fall and then move to Arizona, Nevada and Florida (most of them) or New Mexico and Texas. Even through their winter havens boast of pleasant temperatures, many Snowbirds fly off to the cruise ships in mid-winter for a tropical vacation. Some reported taking five to seven previous cruises and one couple aboard were on their 11th cruise!

Myth No. 2 is that retirees (senior citizens, mature adults, recyclees or whatever designation you may have) are overly

frugal or to put it plainly, cheap. Not so!

Ask the employees at the ship's gift shops and the shop owners at the duty-free stores at various ports, and they will confirm that many older adults not only have money to spend but they are willing to spend it on jewelry, perfumes, gifts, souvenirs and special tours and activities. They may not buy as many CDs or skateboards as the younger generation, but they spend freely on fine jewelry and liquors plus gift items for their children and grandchildren.

During my recent cruise, where the majority of passengers were over 50, several staff members confided that it was the "best," cruise they have had this season. To the waiters, busboys and beverage servers, the word "best" translates into the biggest tips!

When asked about retirement, one woman remarked, "We can do what we want to do when we want to do it. It's a great life."



Myths about common cold

Most widely expected illness to M.D.'s office from Dec. to Apr. in cold months. Most frequently changed viruses. Clinical symptoms usually can not distinguish the type of viruses.

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Skene

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Skene came from his former secretary, Nora Herbert. Although she was called by the prosecution, she testified that monies from recreation funds were handled by many Westland employees in both the P&R and finance departments.

Herbert, whose husband, Kent, was recently fired as Westland's personnel director, has repeatedly said she believed her former boss was "targeted" unjustly.

Now, with the jury acquitting Skene, is Nora Herbert in danger of her Westland job?

"I'm really concerned about Nora (Herbert) and Margaret (Martin, the therapeutic recreation supervisor)," Skene said. "I've seen this administration can be very vindictive. These were two people who stood by the truth under 10 months of pressure."

Skene said Martin was threatened with dismissal if she didn't turn over records of the non-profit Therapeutic Recreation Boosters Club. "It's pretty scary stuff that the city thinks they can get away with that," Skene warns his Westland neighbors.

"I think it's time for the citizens of Westland to take a good look at what this administration has caused with division of different parts or sections of the community," he said, citing the current feud between Thomas and the Westland Chamber of Commerce.

"It's an 'us' versus 'them' mentality," he added. "It's not everybody working together. You're only right if you're working with us."

Obviously, Thomas felt Skene was no longer on the "us" side.

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Wrestlers begin trek for state glory

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

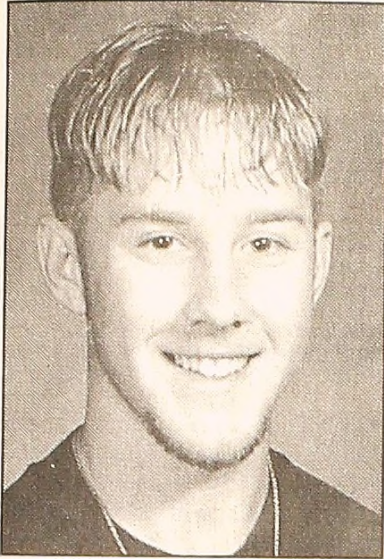
With the conference championships behind them, local and area high school wrestlers will now look to the long and grueling trek to the state finals.

An elite corps will find gold at the end of the trail.

The first step however in the trip to the state begins Thursday night as teams battle to qualify at the district level. Then, on Saturday, the individual divisional championships will be staged at several sites across the state.

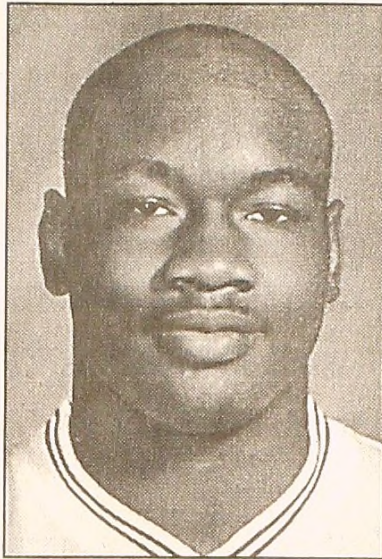
"In order to qualify for the regional competition," says Romulus coach Vern Logan, "a wrestler must finish in the top four in his weight class at the divisional competition."

Romulus, Wayne Memorial, Westland John Glenn, Plymouth-Salem, Plymouth-Canton, Ann Arbor Huron,



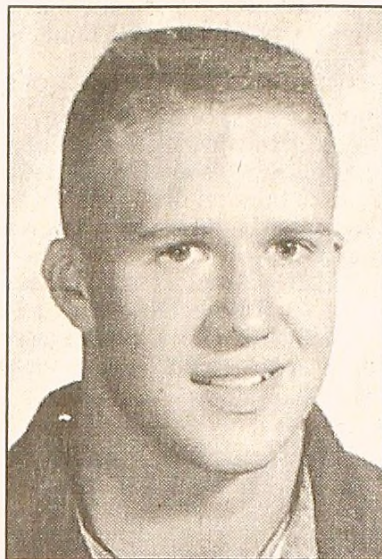
Bill Chapman

Ann Arbor Pioneer, and several other area high school teams have been assigned to Division I which will be conducted at Adrian High School. The top four wrestlers in



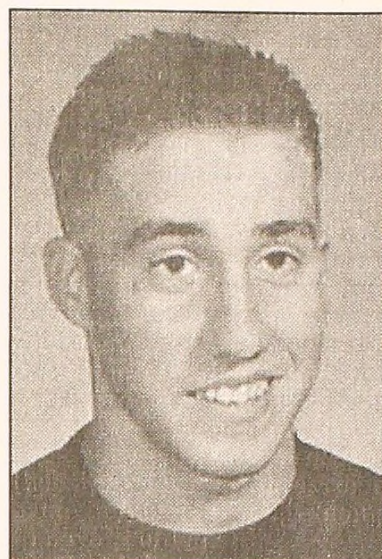
Charles Thompson

each of the 13 weight classes will advance to the Temperance Bedford Regional Division (District 23) where they will attempt to qualify for the state.



Alec Hance

For the first time in its history, Inkster High has been assigned a divisional championship. Inkster coach Sam Ellis and the Vikings will host 23 teams which will begin

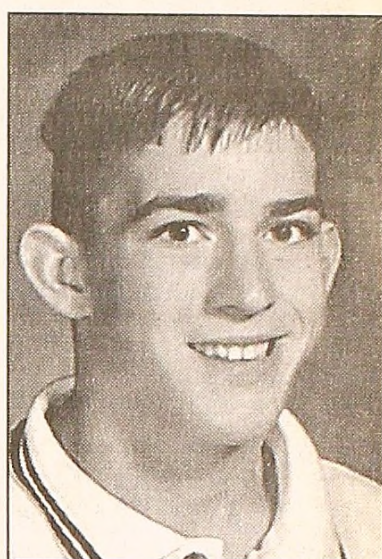


Nathan Thomas

wrestling for district honors at 10:30 a.m.

Qualifiers from the Inkster division advance to the regional at Goodrich.

"On Saturday, local and



Steve Hatfield

area fans will have an opportunity to see some of the best high school wrestlers in the state," Ellis said.

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Glenn upset backs Salem in 'must-win' situation

DeYampert, Hicks lead Eagles past Inkster

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

If the rest of the games go the way it did Friday night for coach Guy DelGiudice, you probably wouldn't hear a sound from the Romulus coach.

Romulus rattled Inkster 76-59 to hold to its share of the Mega Conference Red Division lead. The Eagles' 8-1 conference record matches that of River Rouge's, which is hanging on to the other half of the lead.

The two co-leaders split this season, with Romulus beating the top-ranked state power on the Rouge floor in mid-December, while the Panthers came back in February to avenge their only loss on Romulus' hardwood.

The two will not meet again unless each wins district titles, which could possibly set up a regional confrontation.

But that's not until the second week of March.

In the meantime, Romulus has other engagements, and a rough road to follow. The Eagles have four conference games left on their schedule, including a rematch with Wayne (March 5) on the Wayne home floor.

DelGiudice says he isn't looking ahead. He says there are teams like Ypsilanti, Belleville and Willow Run still in their path, and they have to be addressed first.

With seniors Brandon DeYampert and Melvin Hicks scoring in double digits, the Eagles soared to a 20-9 lead over Inkster in the first period, and they never looked back.

At one point in this one, Romulus led by as much as 25 points over the Vikings, who struggled throughout to maintain their poise.

DeYampert sat out most of the second half after he tossed in 16 of his game high 20 points in the first two periods. Teammate Hicks added 16 points and Robert Collins also reached double figures. He had 10 for the Eagles who may have to improve at the foul line where they canned only 10 of 21 shots.

For Inkster, Greg Watson was top scorer. He sank 17 points.

Tuesday night, Romulus took their show to Southgate Aquinas. They will stay on the road Friday night when they will travel to Ypsilanti for a Red Division rematch.



Westland John Glenn coach Mike Schuette (photo above) fires up his Rockets during a "time out" against visiting Plymouth-Salem. Schuette and Glenn had the right stuff as the Rockets turned in their best overall performance of the season to crush the previously undefeated Western Lakes Conference leaders Friday night before a standing-room-only crowd. In the photo at right, Salem's Tony Jancevski (51) successfully challenges Glenn's Yaku Moton (43) for this layup. Moton contributed six points and nine rebounds in the Rockets' 56-50 victory. Salem and coach Bob Brodie need only one victory and they have two games to get it to lock up at least a share of the conference championship. Photos by Aaron Ortiz

Wayne's Williams, Calloway shoot down Flyers, 63-52

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

They may not be on top of the Mega Conference Red Division standings where they usually are about this time of the high school basketball year, but defending champ Wayne Memorial played like a champ Friday night against Willow Run.

Brian Williams and Karl Calloway came out shooting in the first quarter and together knocked down 16 of Wayne's 21 points first-period points to lead the defending champs to a solid 63-52 victory over the newcomer in the conference. Up by 14 (21-7) at the end of

the opening frame, Wayne did not have any problems with the Flyers who managed to close within seven points (31-24) early in the fourth quarter.

But that's the closest the visitors got.

"We started strong," said Wayne coach Chuck Henry, "and that gave me an opportunity to use my bench liberally."

Williams scored seven of his game-high 19 points, and the junior captain also came up with four assists and four steals. Calloway, a senior who provides a lot of muscle on the boards, tallied nine of his 18 points in that decisive first pe-

riod.

Wayne also placed a third player in double figures. Jamar Davis, a junior guard, sank 12 points and also chipped in with three assists and four steals that led to easy break-away layup baskets.

One of the key proponents in the easy Wayne victory was the overall performance by 6-7 senior center Quentin Turner, who swept the boards for 17 rebounds and, while doing so, also scored nine points.

Willow Run got 13 points from Shawn Pratt. The Flyers also cashed in on 11 of 20 from the free throw line as com-

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Schedule favors Rocks who play Spartans next

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Plymouth-Salem apparently brings the best out of Westland John Glenn's basketball team. It did Friday night.

Riding the crest of a 12-game winning streak, and in sole possession of first-place in the Western Lakes Conference, Salem fell flat at Glenn and dropped a 56-50 decision to the underdog Rockets.

A Salem victory over Glenn would have given coach Bob Brodie and the Rocks a lock on at least half of the conference title. Now, they are forced into a situation where they must win at least one of their two remaining games to clinch half.

And the schedule favors Salem in the stretch. The league-leaders have Livonia Churchill and Livonia Stevenson to contend with and, though Churchill could be troublesome, Stevenson shouldn't. The Spartans have not won a conference game this year.

"It was a tough one for us to lose," Brodie commented after the loss to Glenn. "But when you score only one basket in the final four minutes of a game, any game, you're going to have problems."

"You definitely can't do that against a team like Glenn. Give them credit, they played an excellent game against us."

Glenn coach Mike Schuette said that his team's played its best overall game against Salem.

"Our kids wanted to win this one. They got the job done," said Schuette. The veteran coach said he had some concerns on how his team would play because of Tuesday night's loss at Dearborn.

"We definitely didn't play well over there," Schuette noted.

The Pioneers buried Glenn, 87-69, in a out-of-conference match up at Dearborn as the Westlanders wasted a 20-point scoring effort by Eric Jones.

But Glenn was ready Friday night. They had a full-house on hand and the Rockets delivered.

Glenn rallied from a 28-25 halftime deficit to go up by one, 43-42, for three before outscoring their visitors 13-8 in the final eight minutes.

Jason Crofton's baseline three-point rallied the Rockets and struck a resounding blow in the Rocks' bid for their 13th consecutive win.

Crofton's three-pointer was followed up by Ty Haygood's two big baskets that the Rockets to a five-point lead.

The struggling Rocks failed

Our kids wanted to win this one. They got the job done.

- Mike Schuette

to respond. They hit that arctic streak Brodie referred to earlier and for four minutes, which proved fatal to the league-leaders. The drought was broken briefly by Andy Power's three-pointer, but that was it.

Glenn half-court trap pulled it off.

The Westlanders outscored their visitors 13-8 in the final eight minutes.

Salem's Andy Power and Jeff McKian split 24 of the Rocks' points, while Stephen Lawson scored 17 for the winners. Jones added 13 and, in the duel for the control of the boards, Glenn center Yaku Moton managed to grab nine rebounds and contribute six points for the Rockets who also nailed four of eight free throws as compared to Salem's six of eight at the free throw line.

Salem's Aaron Rypkowski collected eight rebounds and three points.

Brodie also pointed out that his team shot a horrible 30 percent from the field. The Rockets made 16 of 54 attempts.

If there were any signs Salem was due for a setback, they did not surface Tuesday night when Salem took on natural rival, Canton, and beat back the Chiefs 61-42 as Power scored a game high 19 points and McKian added 14. Canton's junior guard Joe Cortellini led the Chiefs with 19 points.

Salem could have wrapped up a share of the title Tuesday night with a victory at Livonia Churchill.

If the Rocks faltered, they would have to do it Friday at home against Stevenson, a team that is struggling through its worst season-ever in recent memory. The Spartans entered the week on a 15-game losing streak.

Glenn played Walled Lake Western on Tuesday and will be home tonight to host Walled Lake Central.

The Western Lakes Conference playoffs will begin a week from Friday.

Belleville rips Parkers

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Kevin Harrison came off the bench and pumped in a game-high 20 points to Belleville to an impressive 79-54 victory over Highland Park in a Mega Conference Red Division basketball game.

The sophomore Belleville guard tossed up three treys in his assault against the Parker defense which collapsed in the second half against their conference opponents.

Close the first two periods, Belleville grabbed a 30-24 lead at halftime, and the Tigers came back and outscored their opponents 49-30 in the second half.

"I felt that this one was of our better overall games," said Belleville sophomore coach Rod Fisher, whose club is struggling with a 2-6 conference and a 5-10 overall record.

"We played an excellent second half."

- Rod Fisher

"We played an excellent second half."

Belleville placed two other players in double figures. Guards John Edwards and C.J. Grantham each scored 10 points.

Earlier in the week, Belleville edged a hoop-tough Class B state title-contender, Saginaw Buena Vista, 59-54. With the cousin combination of Kevin and John Edwards accounting for more than half of the Tigers' points, Belleville protected a five-point lead in the stretch for the non-conference victory.

Kevin scored a team high 14 points, while John chipped in 13 points.

Saginaw had the game's top scorer in Montell Green, who scored 18 points for the 11-3 Buena Vista team.

Belleville squared off with Detroit Catholic Central and the University of Michigan-bound 6-10 Chris Young Tuesday night on the Tiger hardwood, and Fisher said his team would have to double and maybe triple team Young in hopes of stopping him.

In a rare Thursday night game, Belleville is back in action in the Mega Conference. The Tigers travel to Willow Run to take on the Flyers, who apparently have had engine problems of late.

Willow Run lost a 63-52 decision to Wayne Memorial last Friday and the Flyers began the week with a 2-6 conference record.



Soccer standouts sign

Belleville athletes Tate Travis and Kevin Pych sign their national letters of intent to play collegiate soccer next season. Participating in the traditional ceremony are members of the two outstanding athletes' families and friends. Tate will play in Division I for the University of California-Santa Barbara, while Kevin will goal-tend for Division 2's St. Andrews College in North Carolina. Both players were instrumental in Gabriel Richard's tournament run for the state title. The downriver team finished second at state. Kevin earned All-Catholic and All-State recognition, while Tate was a repeat selection to the coveted All-State Team. MCN Special Sports Photo

Wayne seeking softball teams

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

With Spring in the air, can softball be far behind?

Officials at the Wayne Parks and Recreation Department are getting ready for that day when the cries of *Play Ball!* will be heard across the diamonds, of the state, and they are sending out their first request for men and women's softball teams that want to play in the recreation summer leagues.

Team managers may sign up

"There is a \$395 registration fee."

their teams between the hours of 8:30 a.m. until 10 p.m. at the Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe Road.

The softball divisions, and evenings teams will play, are listed as follows: A Women's League, which takes to the field Monday evenings; Men's

Leagues, Tuesday evening, Class C/D; and a Thursday evening C/D League. There will also be a Friday evening league for teams for Class D and Class E.

The recreation department is also seeking teams for a Men's Over 40 League. The league will play Wednesday and Friday evening games.

There is a \$395 registration fee.

Teams will play between 14 and 15 games, beginning May 4. There also will be All-Star Games. Awards will be presented to league and playoff champions.

Team managers who need further information are urged to contact Keith Alexander, at the Wayne Community Center, by dialing (734) 721-7400.

Wayne

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pared to Wayne's dismal 18 of 31 charity effort.

Wayne began the week with a 4-5 conference and an 8-7 overall record. They should be able to build upon that Friday night when they take on a lackluster Inkster which couldn't match up with conference co-leader, Romulus.

Romulus (See related story on this page) routed the Vikings 76-59 to keep their share of the lead.

On Tuesday, Wayne crushed Garden City 81-33 in a cross-over game as Williams again led all scorers with 19 points.

Glory

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Tickets are \$4 for the all-day affair.

In the team pairings, Inkster will clash with Melvindale in the first round and Highland Park meets Dearborn Heights Annapolis. Melvindale is an overwhelming favorite to win the district. The Cardinals have been ranked in the top five in the state polls throughout most of the season.

The two winners will decide the district championship at 7 p.m.

In the meantime, Romulus will travel to Temperance today for the four-team district tournament that the Mules are hosting. Logan's Eagles have the dubious honor of taking on the hosts, Temperance, also considered one of the top candidates to win the state title in their division this year.

In the other bracket, Belleville will clash with Monroe. The two winners will decide the district title around 7:30 p.m.

Conference championships were decided over the weekend.

Southfield Anderson retained its Mega Conference, Red Division title, turning back a serious challenge from

Trenton.

The defending champs successfully defended their crown by garnering 163.5 points. Trenton finished a close second with 148 points, followed by Wyandotte (136.5), Belleville (119), Romulus (109), Monroe (91), Carlson (45.5) and Lincoln Park (41.5).

Romulus produced one conference champ in 119-pounder Billy Chapman.

Chapman, who will take a 23-8 record to the district, earned a conference gold with an impressive 6-3 victory over Dave Howard of Southgate.

"For Billy, it was a dream come true," Logan said. "He wanted to win this one for his mother - and he did it."

The Eagles also had four members of their team finish with silver medals.

The runners-up included Micah Wade (112), Alec Hance (145), Charles Thompson (189), and Nathan Thomas (160). Romulus had two bronze medalists: Steve Hatfield (135) and Jeremiah Jones (152).

Wade lost his bid for the gold when he was pinned by Monroe's Tom Nowitzke, while Hance wound up a loser against Trenton's Cooley, who pinned his rival for the gold.

Hance has an enviable 23-5 overall record.

Thompson ran up against Dave Cox, an undefeated 189-pounder and managed to stay with his opponent to the end before losing a 9-6 decision. Southgate's Zimmerman took the gold away from Thomas in a close match, 3-1.

Belleville also had a gold medalist. Morgan Mullins proved he is the best 140-pounder in the Red Division this year.

The Tigers also had a runner-up in Matt Johnson (152), while Demetrius King (130), Mark Eshenbarger (171) and heavyweight Dave Sanders earned bronze medals in their weight classes.

Over in the Blue Division, Inkster finished in the middle of the pack. Redford Thurston surprised division favorites Annapolis and emerged with 184 points to win the division meet. However, since Annapolis was undefeated and Woodhaven had only one loss, Thurston, with two dual meet losses, was forced to share the divisional crown three way.

At the league, Woodhaven was second-best as the runners up piled up 173 points, followed closely by Annapolis (171.5), River Rouge (87.5), Inkster (68), Crestwood (41), Redford Union (38), Willow Run (23), and Highland Park (0).

Inkster did have a conference champ in 119-pounder Robert Hudson who pinned Annapolis' Daniel Wales in 2:45 of the finals to pick up his gold.

The Vikings had runners up in Keith Jackson (152) and Ashanti Walton (160).

Injury-plagued Plymouth-Canton had its problems in the Western Lakes Conference this year, but coach Ernie Krumm's young team could be a factor in the years to come.

"We've been plagued with injuries enough this year that we really set individual goals for our Western Lakes Conference. We wanted each wrestler just to wrestle for themselves, for seeding purposes for the upcoming districts, and in the case of our freshmen, for the experience alone."

At the conference meet, 171-pounder John Peter Demick earned a bronze medal. He won four of his five matches. Four of those were by pins. Other standouts included Jon Pocock (130), Brian Musser (140), and Jared Chapman (215). Pocock, Musser and Chapman won two of their four matches.

Teamwise, Canton finished ninth among a field of 12 teams. The Chiefs amassed 75 points.

Semi-pro grid team seeks local talent

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

If you have the ability to play semi-professional football, the Twisters would like to talk to you.

With a lineup of former local and area grid stars, the Wayne County Twisters won their divisional title in the Lake Shore Football League year ago.

The Twisters' goal this year is to go all the way to the nationals this season.

If you're interested, show up 2 p.m. on Feb. 28 at the Wayne-Western YMCA (827 Wayne Road) in Westland ready to participate in a

pro-style combine, which translates means, be prepared to go through several physical stress tests.

Candidates must be at least 18 years old. To register a player must fork up \$20 for the tests and registration fee.

The Twisters have commitments from 38 of their players who were on the roster a year ago. The managerial staff is seeking about 20 more players to complete its lineup.

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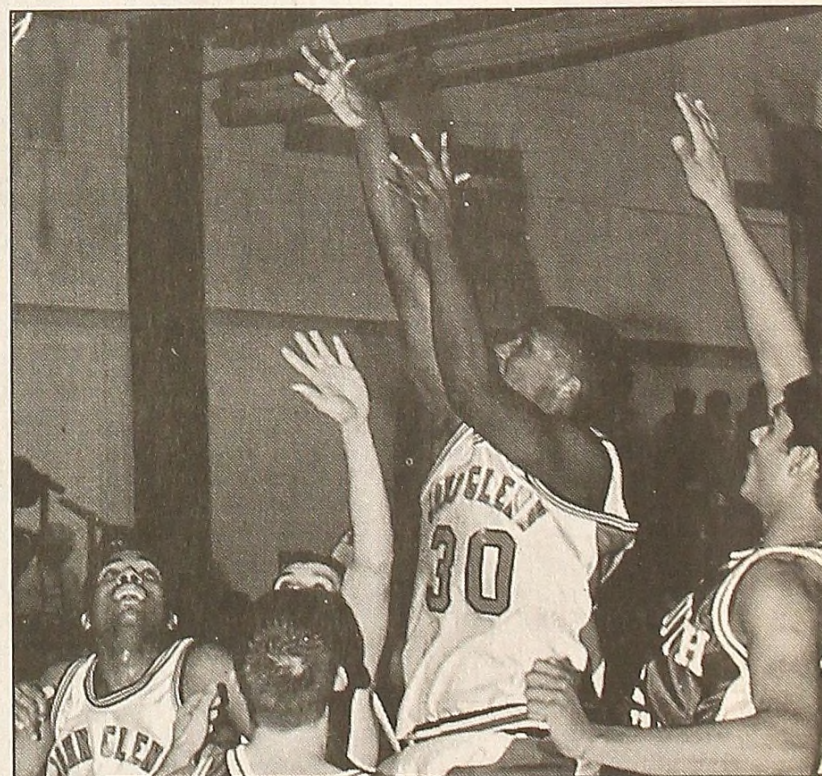
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On target

Glenn's Eric Jones (30) slashes through Salem's defense for two of his 13 points against the league-leaders. Glenn will try to keep its newly-discovered momentum going tonight (Thursday) when they host Walled Lake Central, while Salem may not have any problems recovering from its only conference loss at the expense of winless Livonia Stevenson tomorrow night on the home floor. MCN photo by Aaron Ortiz

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4. Monuments & Cemetery Lots

CADILLAC MEMORIAL
 Gardens-Westland. Four adjoining lots with bronze markers in choice area. Valued at \$7,874, will sell all for \$2,500. 313-721-3164.

TWO CEMETERY lots at Michigan Memorial Sec Lakeview Gardens. Lots are on slope overlooking the lake. Both for best reasonable offer. 313-721-8043.

5. Personals

FREE CASH Grants! College. Scholarships. Business. Medical bills. Never Repay. Toll Free 1-800-218-9000 Ext. G-7514.

READ MUSICIAN Ben E. Jet every week in the Eyewitness paper available in Eyewitness paper boxes outside grocery stores, Drug Stores, Strip malls, and Restaurants across Western Wayne County.

SEE THE newest in home decorations featuring Home Interiors by hosting a show or book party! Call for more details 699-0306 anytime.

ST. JUDE NOVENA May the sacred heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude worker of miracles pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day for 9 days, then publish. Your request will be granted. R.W.

6. Legals Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that on Thursday, February 26, 1998 at 10:00 am at Mayflower Auto Transport, 5760 Belleville Rd., Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne, a public auction of the following vehicles will be held:
 1984 Plymouth Reliant 2 dr.
 1P3BP41C3EG231736
 1977 Chrysler 2 dr.
 SS2N7R111244
 1984 Dodge Caravan
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CLASSIFIED REP

Our rapidly expanding publication is looking for a Classified Sales Rep to work full time, Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm. This is an in-house position. Requires a positive attitude and strong communication skills. We take pride in being team oriented. If you enjoy a pleasant work environment and would like to join our award winning staff, call Rita at 729-4000.

ACO HARDWARE WAREHOUSE 2ND SHIFT SHIPPING DEPARTMENT

Pay range \$10-\$13.00/hour depending on experience. Lift at least 50 lbs., work in variable temperatures depending on season, good math and reading skills required. Pre-employment drug test. Starting time 4p.m. Send letter of interest to: Attn: human resources/MI/Whse, 23333 Commerce Dr., Farmington Hills, MI, 48335-2764 Fax 248-615-2696. EOE

APARTMENT CLEANING. persons needed for days only. Contact Thomsbury Cleaning, 313-699-7225.

ASSISTANT FOR ACTIVITIES

Part time position available for an assistant with our activities program. If you like to work with the elderly, are energetic, have good communication skills, and are available days, some evenings and weekends, call, fax or send your resume to: Stacy Kudlak, The Gilbert Residence, 203 S. Huron St., Ypsilanti, MI 48197. 482-9498, Fax 482-1848.

AVON-A+ Opportunity! Full/part time. No Door-to-Door! \$8-\$15+/hr. 1-800-286-2606. Ind/Sls/Rep.

COUNTER PERSON Full/part time. Afternoon shift. 2-10pm. \$6/hr. plus tips, plus health insurance after 60 days. Apply in person, Bray's Hamburgers, Ford Rd., 2 blocks W. of Wayne Rd., Westland.

DIRECT CARE WORKER

Group home openings for nightshifts and afternoons. Valid drivers license, paid training, competitive wage and benefits. Call 762-0338 or 454-3764.

DIRECT CARE STAFF

Very well managed Belleville Group Home needs caring staff to serve developmentally disabled ladies. HS diploma or GED and MI drivers license required. Full/part time positions starting at \$6.50/hr. Excellent benefits. Call Judy, 313-699-6543.

DIRECT CARE WORKER

Mature, dependable people needed with drivers license. 728-8797.

DIRECT CARE

To work in AIS facility. All shifts available. Full & part time. Must be 18 years or older and have a valid drivers license and high school diploma or equivalent. 313-537-9058 Redford area, 313-584-7118 Dearborn area, 734-699-2122, Belleville area.

DIRECT CARE ASSISTANT

No experience required. Exceptional entry level opportunity. Provide care and assistance to mentally challenged adults in warm supportive home. Full/Part time includes all training, health and dental plans. (734)326-5320

DIRECT CARE STAFF

Can be proud to work in our group home near Belleville. All shifts available. \$7/hr. if trained. Good benefits. Call Diane, 313-699-7497.

FRIENDLY ENERGETIC People to work in group home. Will train. \$6.50 to start, full benefits. 728-2821 or 697-8339.

DIRECT CARE STAFF

Needed in Westland. Must have valid driver's license and dependable for afternoons and weekends. Preferably trained. 721-3641.

DIRECT CARE staff needed to teach & supervise highly independent young adults in a clean, well managed home, I-275 & Ecorse Rd area. Excellent benefit pkg., paid training & vacation, variety of shifts avail. Good driving record & valid MI drivers license a must. Competitive wages offered. Call Mon - Fri, 8am to 10pm, 313-397-6955.

DRIVER/SEMI

Romulus area. CDL/A License required. \$8 per hour to start with \$500 minimum guaranteed. 248-559-7744.

DRIVERS NEEDED PART TIME

Must have valid drivers license, and clean driving record to drive shuttle bus for Metro Airport Co. Also full time rental agent. Apply in person, Mon-Fri, 9 am to 5 pm, 10255 S. Middlebelt Rd., Romulus, MI.

EXPERIENCED DOG GROOMER

Needed at Terry's K-9 Design. Please call Terry at 313-722-6340.

FUNDRAISING IDEAS

Earn extra money selling subscriptions to your local paper. The more you sell, the more you earn. For more information call 729-4000.

GENERAL OFFICE HELP WANTED

Dependable, responsible person needed to do filing, typing and general office work. Please apply in person, 1647 Inkster Rd., Garden City.

INSTRUCTOR FOR day program working with developmentally disabled consumers. Monday thru Friday, 8-4, excellent benefits. 313-729-8470.

LOSERS WANTED! Lose weight like crazy, 30 day money back guarantee. Doctor recommended, FREE samples. Call 313-913-9766.

LUMBER SORTERS and nailers needed in Romulus area for outdoor work. \$6.70/hr with overtime, chance to advance. 248-559-7744.

MAINTENANCE / GROUNDS, full time, 379 unit co-operative, exp. preferred, knowledge in heating, plumbing, etc. a plus. Must have own tools, benefit package available, 401K and salary negot. Send resume to: Wellesley Townhouses, Attn: Manager, 35661 Smith Rd., Romulus, MI 48174.

32. Help Wanted

NEED A CHANGE OF SCENERY?
 As a TruGreen • ChemLawn LAWN CARE SPECIALIST, the outdoors will offer far more attractive scenery than being cooped up in an office. But that's not the only scenery we're talking about. We're also referring to company attitude and environment. Does your employer offer a competitive salary with good benefits? If not, contact (22260 Pennsylvania, Taylor, MI 48180) Then show us a professional appearance, with an ability to communicate. EOE

TRUGREEN • CHEMLAWN

Where the grass is greener.

MATURE WAITRESS

Needed at **DALY RESTAURANT**
 Apply in person only at 1622 S. Wayne Rd., Westland (just N. of Palmer).

MODELS WANTED between the ages of 7-23 to model casual/formal wear in National's 1998 Detroit pageant competitions. No past experience necessary/training will be provided. Call anytime 1-800-643-9701 for info.

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY

Newspaper Advertising sales person for rapidly growing Western Wayne County newspaper group to call on Auto Dealers in a 3 county area. Salary + commission + mileage. Full benefit package. Contact Ron at (313) 729-4000 for appointment.

NOW ACCEPTING applications for Extra Special Senior Care (personal care). Apply in person in American House, 1660 Venoy, Westland or call 467-6031.

NOW HIRING! SHONEY'S INN

*Waitresses
 *Front Desk
 *Maintenance
 *Cooks
 *Busboys
 *Dishwashers
 Apply at: 8800 Wickham Rd., Romulus, MI 48174. Please no phone calls.

NOW HIRING ALL POSITIONS

Apply in person, The Beehive Restaurant, 62 Ecorse Rd., Ypsilanti.

NURSING ASSISTANT

An inpatient, long term and subacute rehabilitation facility in Romulus, seeks full and part time nursing assistants for the afternoon and midnight shifts. Starting hourly wage \$7.50. Individual must have stable work history, good moral character and experience working in a nursing home and/or rehabilitation facility preferred. Excellent benefits. Must meet eligibility requirements for benefits. Applications are being accepted at 39000 Chase Rd., Romulus, MI or contact Lisa Bray at 941-1142 ext. 129. E.O.E.

OFFICE MANAGER Experienced and educated individual for a face paced environment. Send Resume to: 245010 Ecorse Rd., Taylor, MI, 48180. or fax (734) 292-3570.

PART TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Needed for trucking industry leader. Must be able to work nights. Great potential for advancement. Apply in person at Con-Way Central Express, 6000 Middlebelt, Romulus, MI.

PART TIME Sales clerk, mature adults-will train. Hahn Paint & W/P Co. 313-728-8440.

PAYROLL/PAYABLES CLERK

Challenging full time position for experienced payroll person. Duties include knowledge of Windows 95, workers comp., employee benefits, payables and more. Please send resume to:

Wayne Living Center
 4429 Venoy Rd.
 Wayne, MI 48184
 ATTN: Lesley Skog

PLASTICS

We are a Tier I manufacturer of automotive plastic injection molding products and a customer oriented supplier of interior and exterior plastic trim components with presses that range up to 1500 tons.

Supervisor

Well seasoned individual with a minimum of three years supervisory experience in injection molding with excellent people skills. Committed to continuous improvement.

We offer TOP WAGES and a benefit package that includes a 401K plan. To join our operation, send your resume, with salary requirements to:

Human Resources
 P.O. Box 970993
 Ypsilanti, MI 48197

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We are a Tier I manufacturer of automotive plastic injection molding products and a customer oriented supplier of interior and exterior plastic trim components with presses that range up to 1500 tons.

Process Technician

Minimum of three years proven experience. Press machine set up/shut down. Fine tune adjustments, pressure machine setting and process verification.

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PORTER

Position available. Need good driving record. Good benefits. Call or apply in person to Brian Krug, Krug Lincoln, 274-8800

WRITERS WANTED for rapidly expanding local newspapers. Call Rita or Ron at 729-4000.

32. Help Wanted

Now Hiring!

WESTLAND

(New Store Opening Soon)
 Part-Time/Full-Time Positions

As one of the nation's most respected and successful retailers, Arbor Drugs continues to create outstanding opportunities for those who share our drive to be the best. We now seek the following to join us at our new Westland location:

• Cashiers • Stock Clerks
 • Pharmacy Techs • Photo Techs

We offer excellent advancement opportunity, as well as merchandise discounts and weekly paychecks. Full-time employees also enjoy company paid:

• Health/Dental/Life & LTD Insurance • Vacations/Sick Pay • 401(k)

IMMEDIATE INTERVIEWS!

During construction interviews held daily, Mon.-Fri., 10am - 5pm and Sat., 9am - 2pm, now thru February 21st at our nearby open location.

Arbor Drugs
 7250 Venoy (At Warren)
 (313) 422-5150

ARBOR DRUGS

Commitment to Performance

Cashiers must be at least 18 years of age. We are Committed to Workforce Diversity.

POSITION OPENING

Position Title
 Employment/Education Coordinator
 LOCATION: Wayne County Family Center, 30600 Michigan Ave., Westland, MI 48186
 MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelors Degree in Human Service, related field, 2 yrs. exp. in Human services. Former job, training/development exp. preferred.
 To apply send resume to J. Monroe.

RAPIDLY GROWING local business seeks aggressive, out-going, self-starters to fill various positions. If you like meeting new people each and every day, we want to meet you. Salary plus commission plus health/dental insurance. A good attitude and a smiling face can lead you to a job with unlimited earning

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M I C H I G A N C O M M U N I T Y N E W S P A P E R S

DOCTORS TABLE, green, good condition. Write 20538 W. Warren, Detroit, MI 48228 or call 313-271-5271.

DRUM SET for beginner, Magnum CB 700 Percussion, includes 4 silver drums with stool, \$125. 313-326-8238.

FOLDING CHAIRS, four metal, beige, deluxe quality, excellent condition. Extra chairs in time for the holidays! \$25 for all four chairs. 313-326-8238.

HOSPITAL BED w/mattress, semi automatic. Two Singer sewing machines (1 chair). Exhaust range hood w/light. 728-8619.

IBM SELECTRIC typewriter w/variety of printing balls. Great for home or office. Make offer. Garden City, 734-525-5161 Irene.

JEWELRY FOR SALE, 1 CT. genuine diamond rings (ladies & gents). Looks like new. \$775 or best offer. 734-981-9615.

LIMOGES CHINA large oval covered tureen/casserole, stamped Haviland & Co. Limoges, France, exquisite collectible antique. White trimmed in 14 kt gold w/ delicate floral design in olive and rose, \$100. 313-326-8238.

MANUAL TREADMILL cross training system, \$75. Weslo Cardio Glide total body workout, \$150. 313-595-1219, ask for Bendu.

MAYTAG WASHER and dryer, good condition. \$200. 753-4456.

PEWS and pulpit furniture for sale. Call Pastor J.L. Davis, 313-941-1366.

PEWTER-LIKE dinnerware, service for 8. Carson make, 60-pcs. with pewter-like collectibles, like new. \$160. 248-553-2782 or 313-721-3164.

SEARS TYPEWRITER, portable Forecast, 12 manual w/case, \$5. Eureka upright vacuum cleaner, \$12. 100 audio cassettes/recorded & blank w/case & wood compartment, \$25. Wards portable vacuum cleaner w/attachments & instructions, \$20. Foam SS/downhill skis & poles, \$10. Gerry baby monitor set/two baby microphones & parents receiver, \$20. Pioneer turntable, needs belt, \$5. Lakewood fan, 20 inches, \$10. Huffy 20 inch girls bicycle, \$5. 313-425-8365.

SMITH CORONA word processor, (PWP3800), 75,000 word dictionary, thesaurus, 64K RAM, 3.5" disks, merge, excellent condition, \$175. Call 522-8711.

SNOW THROWER, 3.5 hp, self propelled, all steel, like new. \$150. 454-1404.

TWO VCR'S as is, \$10. Coca Cola Collectibles, large assortment, \$100. Toaster, iron, can opener, humidifier/vaporizer, \$7. Doll, good condition, \$20. Bird cage, 13x17, \$10. IBM electric typewriter, \$30. Pilot stereo amplifier, 200 watts w/2 speakers, \$45. 313-425-8365.

VITAMASTER SKI machine, good condition. Paid \$300 new, sell for \$150. 313-941-0273.

WASHER, DRYERS, ranges and refrigerators. \$150. 697-7222.

SOFA, LARGE size love seat & extra seat, gray, very good condition. \$350/ best. 313-981-9615.

SONY REEL to reel, 3 speed, \$30. Fisher VCR/3channel HQ fast rew out, \$40. Wagner power paint roller home interior painting system/auto feed from paint can, \$15. Atari two player set up w/10 game cartridges, \$50. Timex Quartz Indigo blue mens sport wrist watch, black leather band/white face/new, \$20. Aristotle contemporary bust of Rembrandt framed picture, 26 x 25, \$25. New floor lamp, brass, pivoting arm, 3 way, \$25. Outdoor mercury pole security light photo cell on at dusk off at dawn/wall or arm mount, new bulb, \$35. 425-8365.

TAN IN YOUR own home, just like the salons do. Sunquest Tanning bed, Pro 16S, like new. Paid \$1,700. Asking \$1,000. Call 397-0251.

THREE PIECE wall unit, walnut finish, \$295. Call 981-4593.

THREE WHEEL Legend-Fawn wheelchair scooter, fab seat, \$1,200. Call 728-9343, day or night.

TWIN SIZE head boards, \$20. Round lamp table with drawer, medium dark wood, \$40. Picture, 29x35 copy of Forrest of Coubrun France 1872, \$25. Call 451-7297.

TWO REGULAR bicycles (man & woman), rowing machine. 729-5174 leave message.

WASHER, DRYER and range, all clean, work excellent, \$90 ea. Call 641-2075 or 941-8967.

WEDDING DRESS, size 10, \$50. Call 734-722-2612.

WHIRLPOOL SELF cleaning electric stove, \$60. Kenmore microwave, \$35. Ratan butterfly chair, \$20. Four aquariums, 60 gallon and down, \$250 for all. Two exercise bikes. 595-8208.

64. Lawn & Garden Supplies

1972, 12" Brush Chipper. Excellent condition. 722-3510.

76. Snowmobiles

1993 YAMAHA Phazer II, low miles, red, very good condition. Asking \$2,800 or best. 734-641-0498.

77. Recreational Vehicles

1975 CAMPER, hard top, canvas sides, good shape. New tires, wheels, bearings. Clean, \$850 or best. Must sell. 313-467-1878.

1977 LEISURE TIME, 21 foot, sleeps 6. Very clean in/out, new tires/awning, never leaked. \$2,500 or best. 313-467-4851.

87. Rooms for Rent

AAA Deluxe Rooms HBO, refrigerator, low daily/weekly rates. Tel-96 Inn, 535-4100. Willow Acres Motel, 721-1220.

BELLEVILLE SLEEPING room, furnished, utilities included. \$65 per week plus security. 699-3232.

DAILY/WEEKLY rates, kitchenette with fridge, stove, cable with new TV. Maplelawn, 728-9876.

88. Duplexes for Rent

NORWAYNE, TWO bedroom duplex, \$500/mo plus sec. dep., references required. 318-0928.

NORWAYNE, ONE BR, stove, refrigerator, carpeting, no pets. \$350 monthly plus deposit. 721-6009.

WESTLAND-NORWAYNE Call for list of available 2 and 3 BR duplex's, also single family. Norplex Associates, 734-722-6444.

89. Apartments for Rent

\$299 MOVES YOU IN!

Spacious 1, 2 and 3 BR apartments 1 BR starting at \$565, 2 BR starting at \$645. 6 month lease available.

*Free Heat
*Free Water
*Extra Storage
*Huge Closets
*24 hr. Maintenance
*Dishwashers
*Central Air
*Wayne's Finest Apartment Community

WAYNE FOREST APARTMENTS 326-7800

WAYNE, 3 room apt., clean, heat incl., adults only, stove, fridge, new carpet, no pets. 595-8226.

BRAND NEW six unit apartment bldg. 1000 sq.ft., 2 BR units, lg kitchen, appliances, dishwasher, central air, laundry facilities. Window treatments included, private entry. Barrier free avail. \$550/mo. 313-274-9289

NEW MANAGEMENT Wayne, most utilities paid. Ask about our winter special. 2 BR/\$480 per month. Call 722-8712.

WESTLAND Large 1 and 2 BR, newly decorated, appliances, heat. Cozy park-like setting.

From \$470
Ask for Managers Special!
Call 9am-7pm
722-9180

96. Houses for Rent

INKSTER, 3 BR colonial, partially finished basement, washer and dryer, pets OK. Option to buy. \$600.

RENTAL PROFESSIONALS (313) 513-RENT

ROMULUS, 3 BR ranch, carpeted, ceiling fans, fenced yard. \$600.

RENTAL PROFESSIONALS (313) 513-RENT

TWO BR, Norwayne area, several available. Sharp units. Section 8 OK. Norplex Assoc. 734-722-6444.

WAYNE, 3 BR, 1 1/2 baths, partially finished basement, appliances, deck, fenced yard. \$695.

RENTAL PROFESSIONALS (313) 513-RENT

"MANY UPDATES" ...Have been done on this super 3 bedroom bungalow. Newer storm doors, roof, water heater and furnace are just some of the updated features of this sharp home!! Just \$57,900.

"LEISURE TIME" ...Is included with this 2 bedroom ranch condo with a full basement. Very nicely maintained with pride of ownership showing through out. Also includes newer water heater, central air, vertical blinds and appliances. Priced at \$87,900.

"CANTON'S HOLIDAY PARK" ...Is where you will find this 4 bedroom, 1,300+ sq. ft. home. Kitchen includes white formica cupboards, ceramic floor and garden window. VERY clean and VERY affordable at just \$137,900.

COLDWELL BANKER LEGACY, INC. 729-2500

DEARBORN, 3 BR, 1 1/2 baths, central air, close to shopping and schools. \$750/mo. 1st and last plus security deposit. Call Terri at 313-665-1110 or 313-878-8930 to make appt.

WESTLAND, 2 BR ranch, utility room, ceiling fans, carpeted, fenced yard. \$525.

RENTAL PROFESSIONALS (313) 513-RENT

100. Will Share

NEED A PLACE to live? Share my home, country, references. Vicki, 734-699-6689 after 5p.m.

105 Mobile Homes for Sale

0 DOWN, \$0 LOT Available up to \$4000 cash back. Newer bank repos. 350 + locally/statewide. EZ terms. New & used. Bruised credit OK. Trade-Ins. Imm. occupancy. Bank Liquidators. 800-798-7275. Must pay sales tax.

1989 REDMAN 1x72, 2 BR, 2 bath, all appliances, air, shed, sunroom, cath. ceiling, ceiling fan, lg. kitchen & fam. room, thermal windows. \$23,500. 313-728-7828.

DALE'S MOBILE HOME SALES

YOUR CREDIT SPECIALIST

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ALEXANDER, JOHN P. BAZZELL, JOHN B. CYMES, JOSEPH A. DIEHL, ESTHER L. DOLETZKY, TED DUFFIE, MONROE A. DUNCAN, JOANN DZIEDZIC, RAYMOND HILL, SHANNON K. HINES, MABEL F. KASIC, RUDOLPH KILBOURNE, FAYE KONWINSKI, SHIRLEY A. MURREY, ANNIE P. POMROY, VERNON P. PRATT, EDNA F. RICH, HAZEL K. RIDNER, JESSIE D. SEARS, ELDORIS M. SZYSZKOWSKI, DAVID TAYLOR, ROBERT C. WESTFALL, MILDRED L.

ALEXANDER, JOHN P. Age 72, of Plymouth, passed away Feb. 6, 1998. Loving husband of Elizabeth. Dear father of Paula, Julie (Robert), John, David (Maureen). Also survived by 1 brother and 5 sisters. Services were held Feb. 9 from the Vermeulen Funeral Home with interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

BAZZELL, JOHN B. Of Wayne, passed away at the age of 44. Beloved son of Lillian and the late Lee. Loving brother of Donald and Peggy Sue. Dear uncle of 5 and great uncle of 9. Memorial service was held Feb. 11 at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home on Mich. Ave in Wayne. Memorials to the American Heart Association appreciated.

CYMES, JOSEPH A. Age 83, of Belleville, passed away Feb. 13, 1998. Beloved husband of the late Mary. Dear father of Richard (Sharon), John, Robert (Onda), and daughter-in-law Mary. Also survived by 1 sister, 7 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. Services were held at St. Anthony Catholic Church. Arrangements by the David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville. Cremation rites have been accorded.

DIEHL, ESTHER L. Age 71, of Inkster, passed away Feb. 11, 1998. Beloved wife of the late John. Dear mother of Beverly (Bruce), Betty (Paul), John (Lynn) and Lisa (Dennis). Also survived by 9 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 14 at the Santelii Chapel. Arrangements by the John N. Santelii & Son, Inc. Funeral Di-

rectors in Garden City with final disposition at Maple Grove Cemetery.

DOLETZKY, TED Age 86, of Wayne, passed away Feb. 11, 1998. Loving husband of the late Eva. Dear brother of Emma and Gustie. Also survived by 15 nieces and 11 nephews. Services were held Feb. 14 at Our Saviour Lutheran Church with arrangements by Uht Funeral Home of Westland. Interment was held at Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park.

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DUNCAN, JOANN Age 63, of Belleville, passed away Feb. 13, 1998. Dearest mother of David (Florence), Betty (Rick), Margaret (Lee). Also survived by 1 brother, 2 sisters, 10 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 14 at David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville with interment at Union Uddell Cemetery.

DZIEDZIC, RAYMOND F. Age 83, of Romulus, passed away Feb. 10, 1998. Loving husband of Hattie. Dear father of Walter, and Mary (Kenneth). Also survived by 2 brothers, 4 sisters and 10 grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 13 from Crane Funeral Home in Romulus.

HILL, SHANNON K. Age 15, of Belleville, passed away Feb. 10, 1998. Dear son of Jacqueline and the late Craig. Dearest grandson of maternal grandmother Evelyn Steffy, paternal grandmother Ann Buda. Also surviving are several aunts, uncles and cousins. Services were held Feb. 14 from David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville with interment at Hillside Cemetery.

HINES, MABEL F. Age 92, of Westland, passed away Feb. 12, 1998. Dear mother of Harriet (Norman) and Mary Ellen (James). Also survived by 3 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. A private service and burial were held. Arrangements by the Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland.

KASIC, RUDOLPH Age 81, of Plymouth,

passed away Feb. 10, 1998. Loving husband of Betty. Dear father of Katherine (John), and Christopher (Cathryn). Also survived by 1 brother, 1 sister, 1 brother-in-law and 2 grandchildren (Jennifer and Matthew). Services were held Feb. 14 at St. Kenneth Catholic Church. Arrangements by the Vermeulen Funeral Home.

KILBOURNE, FAYE Age 66, of Wayne, passed away Feb. 9, 1998. Beloved wife of Edward. Dear mother of Steven, James, Pamela, Debbie and Tamara and the late Heff. Also survived by 4 brothers, 2 sisters and 4 grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 13 from Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Parkview Memorial Cemetery.

KONWINSKI, SHIRLEY A. Age 60, of Westland, passed away Feb. 10, 1998. Loving wife of William. Dear mother of Rebecca, Cindy and Mark. Dear daughter of Hilda Linebrink. Also survived by 4 sisters, 2 brothers and 6 grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 14 from Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at West Mount Cemetery.

MURREY, ANNIE P. Age 88, of Wayne, passed away Feb. 13, 1998. Beloved wife of the late James. Dear mother of Elaine (Donald), Boyd (Janet) and Dorothy (Jerry). Also survived by 1 sister, 12 grandchildren and many great and great grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 17 from Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Cadillac Memorial Gardens.

POMROY, VERNON P. Age 79, of Presque Isle, MI, passed away Feb. 13, 1998. Beloved husband of Wilma. Dearest father of William, and Terry. Also survived by 1 sister, 4 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 15 from Uht Funeral Home in Westland.

PRATT, EDNA F. Age 87, of Belleville, passed away Feb. 14, 1998. Beloved wife of the late Leland. Dear Mother of Florence (Louis), Catherine (Clifford), Dorothea (Gerald), Wanda (Billie), Naomi (Joseph), Bertha (Frank), Barbara (Harley), Leola (Doyle) and Wilda (Merrithew). Also survived by 4 sisters, 1 brother, 30 grandchildren and 46 great-grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 19 at the Merritt Road Church of the Nazarene. Arrangements by the David C. Brown Funeral Home of Belleville.

RICH, HAZEL K. Age 84, of Wayne, passed away Feb. 14, 1998. Loving wife of the late Charles. Dear mother of Libby (Ronald), Gary (Linda), Ralph and Jacky. Also survived by 1 sister, 1 brother, 10 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 15 from Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Jackson Chapel Cemetery.

RIDNER, JESSIE D. Age 31, of Westland, passed away Feb. 7. Loving son of Dallis and the late James. Dear father of Devin and Justin. Dearest companion of Bonnie. Also survived by grandparents Elizabeth and the late Johnnie Watkins and Elizabeth and the late Edward Ridner. Services were held Feb. 11 from Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Mt. Hope Memorial Cemetery.

SEARS, ELDORIS M. Age 82, of Belleville, passed away Feb. 4, 1998. Beloved wife of the late George. Dear mother of Sandra (David), and Judy (Meredith). Also survived by 3 sisters, 7 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. Services were held in Florida with arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville.

SZYSZKOWSKI, DAVID Age 32, of Westland, passed away Feb. 1, 1998. Loving wife of Lisa. Dear father of Nicole, Sara Hannah and David II. Dearest son of William Serafin and Lynn Carr. Also survived by 2 brothers, 4 sisters, grandparents, Ruth Ross, William Garvey and John and Lillian Serafin. Services were held Feb. 5 from Uht Funeral Home in Westland. Cremation rites were accorded.

TAYLOR, ROBERT C. Age 80, of Livonia, passed away Feb. 9, 1998. Beloved husband of the late Thelma. Dear father of Sharon, Robert, Terry and Kimberly. Also survived by 9 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Services were held from the Vermeulen Funeral Home in Plymouth.

WESTFALL, MILDRED L. Age 80, of Westland, passed away Feb. 9, 1998. Survived by her husband, Russell, daughters Jean and Donna (Joe), sons Russell Jr., Donald (Evelyn), William (Linda), and Gerald. Also survived by 1 sister, 12 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 13 from Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Cadillac Memorial Gardens.

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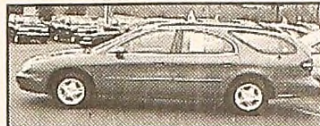


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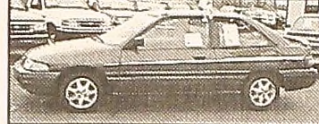


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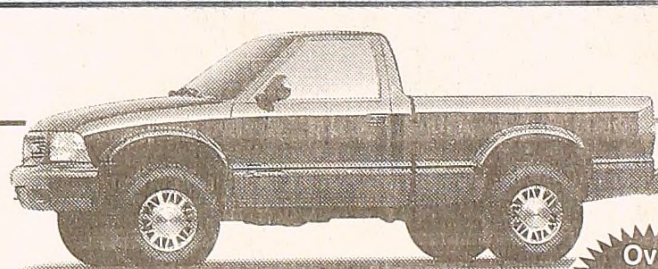
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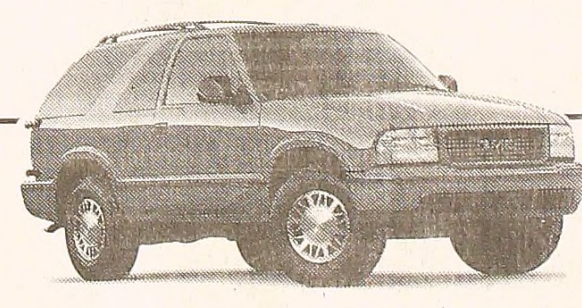
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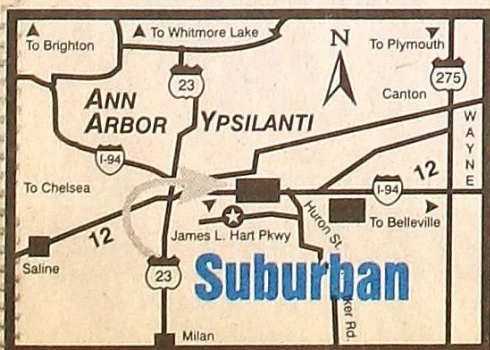
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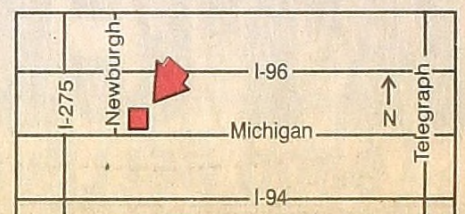
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